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THAT DAY, THE HUMAN RACE REMEMBERED...

...THE TERROR OF BEING DOMINATED BY **THEM**...

...AND THE SHAME OF BEING HELD CAPTIVE IN A BIRDCAGE.

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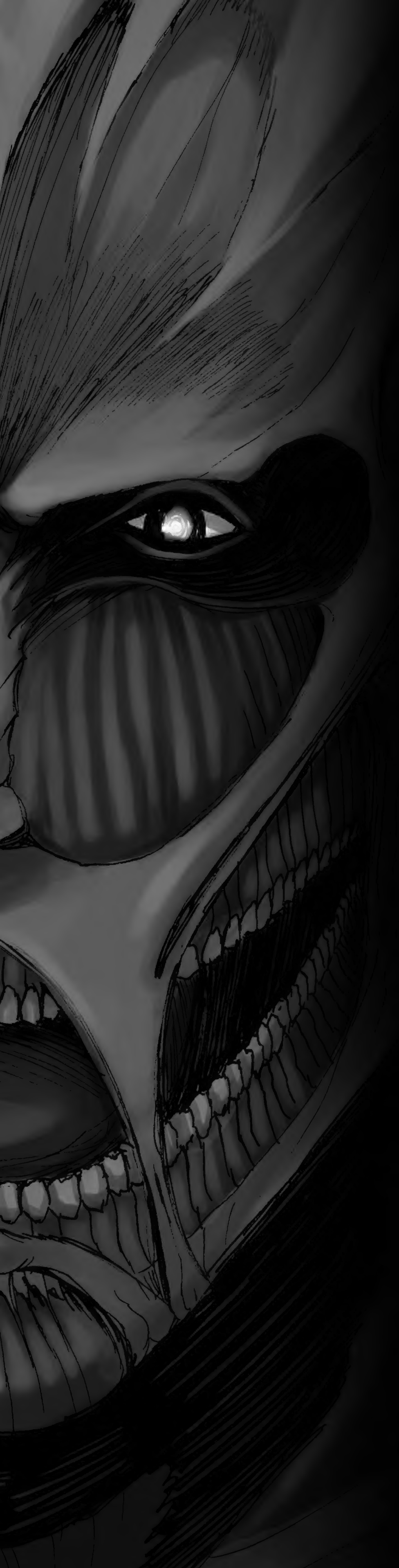

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FWOOOOO
OOOOO
RUSTLE
ALL PERSONNEL...
DOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO
PREPARE FOR BATTLE!!

CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP

KILL IT WITH-OUT FAIL!!

THERE'S ONE TARGET!!

CLOP CLOP CLOP

CLOP CLOP CLOP

400 METERS TO TARGET!!

...!!

GLOP GLOP GLOP GLOP

IT'S HEADING THIS WAY!!

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CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP

JUST AS WE PRACTICED, SPLIT INTO FIVE GROUPS!!

FWISH FWISH

WE'LL BE THE DECOYS !!

DOOO

FWISH FWISH FWISH

100 METERS TO TARGET !!

CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP

ALL ATTACK GROUPS!! SWITCH TO VERTICAL MANEUVERING!!

CLOP CLOP CLOP

SHK

RUSTLE

CHUK
WHIZZZZZZZ
SWISH!

WHIZZ

FWOOO

WHIZZ

WHIZZ

WE STRIKE AT THE SAME TIME FROM ALL DIRECTIONS!!

SHK

FWOOO

LET'S TEACH THIS THING...

WOOSH

FLOOSH

...THE POWER OF THE HUMAN RACE!!

Evil!

SEE YOU LATER...

...EREN.

EREN...

IT'LL GET DARK IF WE DON'T GO HOME NOW.

...?

...HUH?

WAKE UP.

MM...?

EREN!!

...

MIKASA...

AWW, WHEN DID YOUR HAIR GET SO LONG...?

...!!

NO... BUT I FEEL LIKE I JUST HAD THE LONGEST DREAM...

WERE YOU REALLY SO SOUND ASLEEP THAT YOU WERE STILL DREAMING WHEN YOU WOKE UP?

EREN?

WHAT WAS IT? NOW I CAN'T REMEMBER...

WHY...

...ARE YOU CRYING?

HM...?

HUH...?!
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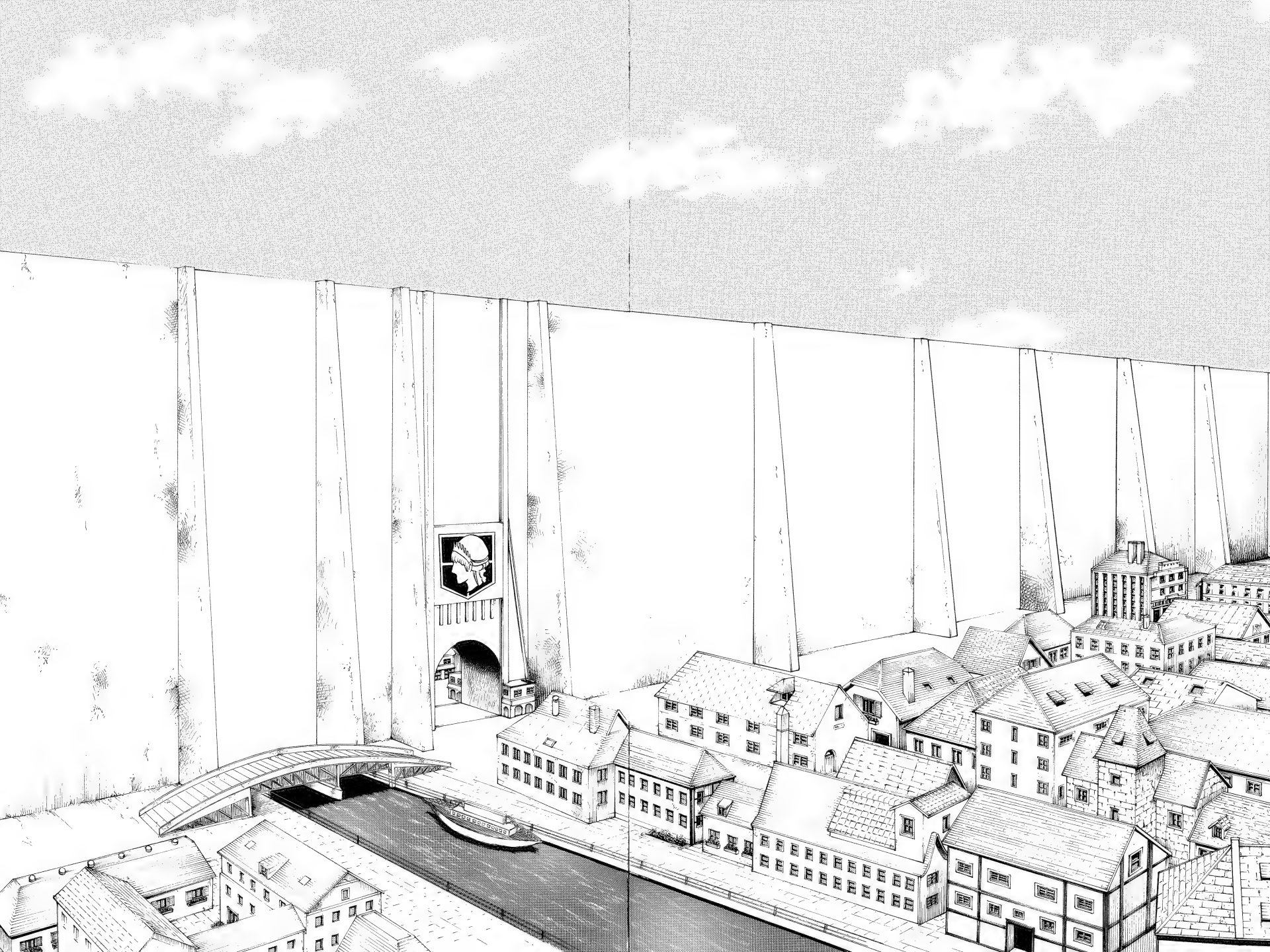

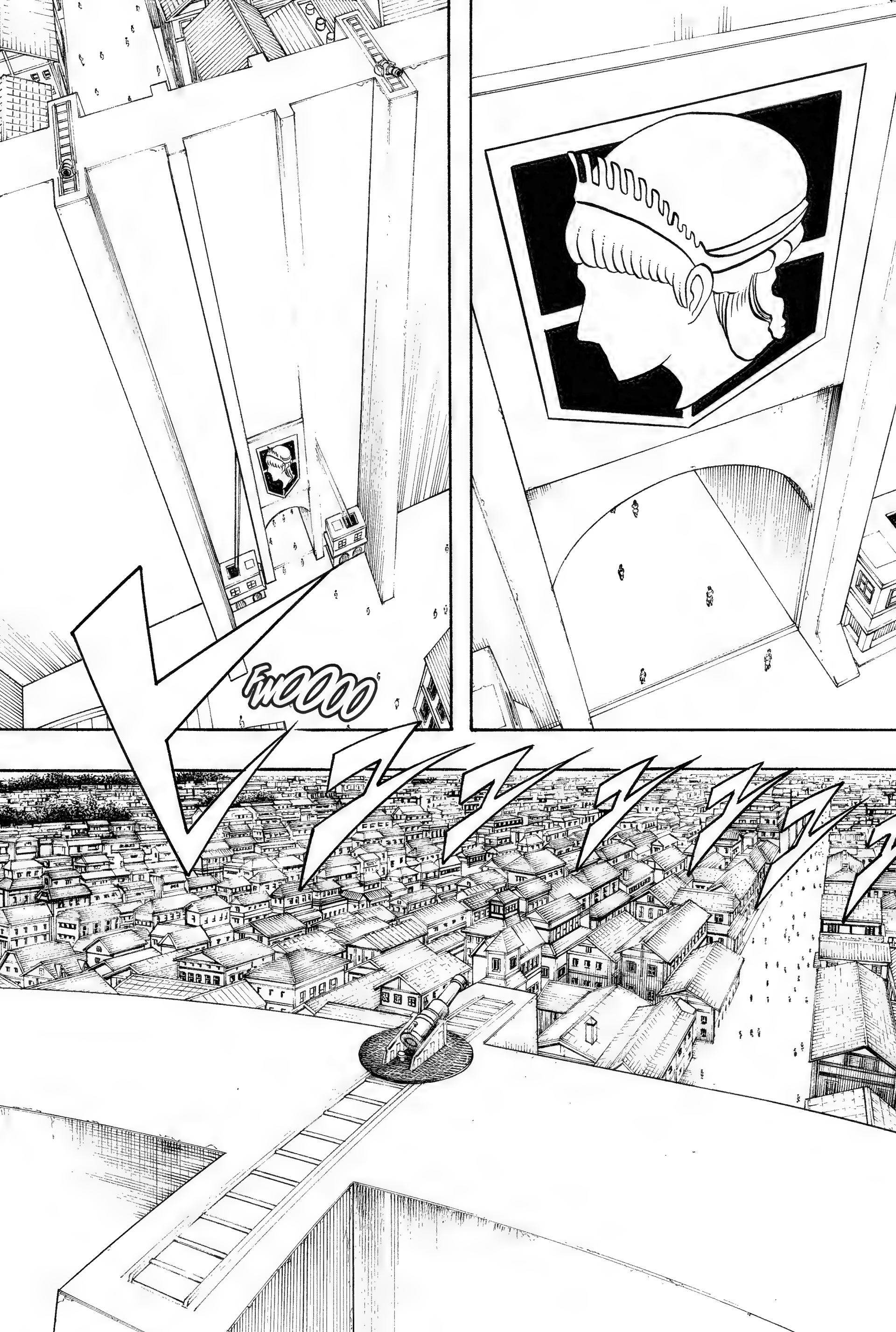
FWOOO

...

...

SNIFF

SNIFF...

DON'T TELL ANYONE...

...THAT I WAS CRYING.

...I WON'T.

DON'T BE STUPID! LIKE I CAN TELL MY OLD MAN ABOUT **THIS?!**

!!

LEAN

M-MR. HANNES!

WHAT ARE YOU CRYING ABOUT, EREN?

WHY DON'T YOU HAVE YOUR DAD EXAMINE YOU?

CRYING FOR NO REASON...

!!

YOU REEK OF LIQUOR !!

HUH?! WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I'M CRYING?!

DID MIKASA GET MAD AT YOU FOR SOME-THING?

ブオ

EECH

WOULD YOU TWO LIKE TO JOIN IN?

DRINKING AGAIN...

WHAT THE...?!

OH! WE'RE ON GATE DUTY TODAY.

NO... UM... WHAT ABOUT YOUR WORK?

BUT IN AN EMERGENCY, WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO FIGHT DRUNK?!

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL IF LIQUOR HAPPENS TO BE AMONG THE RATIONS SOMETIMES?

HOBBLE

WE GET HUNGRY AND THIRSTY, HANGING OUT HERE ALL DAY.

WHAT KIND OF EMERGENCY?

...

...AND INVADED THE TOWN!!

I'M TALKING ABOUT IF THEY BROKE DOWN THE WALL...

...!! I DON'T BELIEVE THIS! IT'S OBVIOUS!

TWITCH

...THAT HASN'T HAPPENED IN A HUNDRED YEARS!

BUT I TELL YA...

IF THE BASTARDS BREAK THROUGH THE WALL, WE'LL BE ON TOP OF THE SITUATION.

HAHAHA... THE DOCTOR'S SON HAS SPIRIT!

HEY, EREN! DON'T SUDDENLY RAISE YOUR VOICE LIKE THAT...

RNG

I'M NOT GONNA SECOND-GUESS DR. YEAGER, THIS TOWN'S BENE-FACTOR.

BUT Y'KNOW...

WELL... YOU MAY BE RIGHT.

MY FATHER SAYS SO!!

B-BUT IT'S DANGEROUS TO FEEL AT EASE LIKE THIS!

WHEN YOU BECOME A SOLDIER, YOU GET YOUR CHANCE TO SEE 'EM, HANGING AROUND OUTSIDE THE WALL WHILE YOU'RE ON WALL DEFENSE DUTY OR WHATEVER...

...AND I JUST CAN'T PICTURE 'EM EVEN PUTTING A DENT IN THIS 50-METER* FORTRESS.

*164 FEET

THAT AIN'T A BAD IDEA EITHER!

W-WHAT THE HELL?! SO STOP CALLING YOURSELVES A "GARRISON" AND MAKE IT THE "WALL CONSTRUCTION CORPS" INSTEAD!

NOPE.

THEN YOU'RE NOT EVEN PREPARED TO FIGHT 'EM IN THE FIRST PLACE, ARE YOU?!

...

ON THE OTHER HAND, WHEN THE GUYS AND I ARE MOCKED AS GOOD-FOR-NOTHING SPONGES, THAT TELLS YOU WE'RE ALL LIVIN' IN A TIME OF PEACE, AM I RIGHT?

YOU HAVE SOLDIERS ON ACTIVE DUTY WHEN THE SITUATION HAS GONE TO HELL...

BUT EREN...

...

BUT IF THEY WANNA HAVE FUN PLAYING WAR, LET 'EM, I SAY!!

!!

HELL... I CAN'T UNDERSTAND THOSE GUYS IN THE SURVEY CORPS WHO WANNA GO OUTSIDE THE WALL!

IT'S JUST LIKE HANNES SAYS.

...ISN'T THAT...

... LIKE BEING A CAGED ANIMAL?

WE DON'T HAVE TO GO OUTSIDE THE WALL FOR OUR WHOLE LIVES...

WE CAN EAT, SLEEP AND SURVIVE JUST FINE HERE... BUT...

...HE WANTS TO JOIN THE SURVEY CORPS?

DON'T TELL ME...

...

WHAT A CRACKPOT...

PFFT...

WHISPER ボソ

EREN...

...

YOU SHOULD CHANGE YOUR MIND ABOUT JOINING THE SURVEY CORPS...

!!

WHAT...?!

YOU GONNA LAUGH AT THE SURVEY CORPS TOO?!

...

WHETHER I'M LAUGHING AT THEM...

...ISN'T THE ISSUE.

CLANG

CLANG CLANG

!!

CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
THE FRONT GATE'S OPENING!
THE SURVEY CORPS IS COMING!!
GRAB
LET'S GO, MIKASA!
DASH!
...THE HEROES ARE BACK...!!

SHIT! I CAN'T SEE WITH ALL THE PEOPLE!

CREAK

RUSTLE

MUMBLE

MUMBLE MUMBLE MUMBLE

タッタッタッ TA TA TA

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

LOOKS LIKE ANOTHER MASSACRE THIS TIME...

ARE THESE THE ONLY ONES WHO MADE IT BACK?

...!!

...THERE ARE LESS THAN 20 PEOPLE HERE... DID THE REST... GET EATEN?

...

EVEN THOUGH OVER 100 OF THEM SET OUT ON THE SURVEY...

WHERE IS MY SON ...?!

EXCUSE ME... MY SON... I DON'T SEE MY SON, BRAUN, HERE...

BRAUN !!

BRAUN !!

!!

RUSTLE

BRING IT HERE...

...

IT'S BRAUN'S MOTHER...

...

RUSTLE

...EH?

THUG

...UHN...

WAA...

...WE WERE ABLE TO GET BACK.

DOOOO

THAT'S ALL...

WAAAAGH!

WAAAAGH!

...

...BUT...

...MY SON...

UHH... UHHH...

...WAS USEFUL TO YOU, WASN'T HE?

HE HE HE

EVEN IF HE DIDN'T ACHIEVE ANYTHING DIRECTLY...
HIS DEATH... BROUGHT HUMANITY ONE STEP CLOSER TO BEATING THEM BACK, RIGHT?!
FWOOOOO
ヒュウウウウウウウウウ
...
OF COURSE!
...

...NO...

...

OOOOO

...

THIS TIME, TOO... WE...

OUR SURVEY THIS TIME...

GRIT

NOTHING!!

WE ACCOM-PLISHED ...

ALL I DID WAS GET MY SOLDIERS KILLED ...!!

BECAUSE OF MY INCOMPE-TENCE...!!

DOOOO

OOOO

...TO FINDING OUT WHAT THOSE THINGS REALLY ARE !!

WE DIDN'T GET ANY CLOSER ...

...

...

SOLDIERS ARE NOTHING BUT A WASTE OF OUR TAXES...

IF ONLY THEY'D STAYED INSIDE THE WALL, THEY'D ALL BE SAFE AND SOUND...

THAT'S JUST AWFUL...

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

MUMBLE

IT'S RIDICU-LOUS...

SO BASICALLY OUR TAXES ARE BEING USED TO FATTEN UP THOSE BASTARDS BY PROVIDING THEM WITH "SNACKS."

SHUT

?!?

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING, YOU LITTLE SHIT?!

WHOOSH

WHOA

HUH ?!

HEY... !!
THAT'S ENOUGH!!
DRAG
UNF!!
TOSS
GRASH
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT FOR?! NOW THE FIREWOOD'S ALL OVER THE PLACE!
SWISH
EREN...
HAVE YOUR FEELINGS ABOUT JOINING THE SURVEY CORPS...
...CHANGED?
!!
...
HELP ME PICK THE WOOD UP...

WE'RE HOME!

KA-CHA

YOU TWO ARE LATE.

WELCOME BACK.

RATTLE RATTLE RATTLE

YEAH... WELL...

SOME STUFF HAPPENED.

...EREN SAID...

YEAH. I HAVE TO SEE A PATIENT TWO TOWNS UP.

HUH? DAD, YOU'RE GOING OUT **NOW?**

M-MIKASA!! I TOLD YOU NOT TO TELL THEM!

EREN!!

...HE WANTS TO JOIN THE SURVEY CORPS.

...

Y-YES, I KNOW!!

DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE DIED BECAUSE THEY DARED TO VENTURE OUTSIDE THE WALL?!

WHAT ARE YOU THINK-ING?!

...INSIDE THE WALL, IGNORANT OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE WORLD OUTSIDE!!

I HATE THE IDEA OF SPENDING MY WHOLE LIFE...

EREN...

WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO **OUTSIDE?**

AND BESIDES...

...EVERYONE WHO DIED UP TO NOW WILL HAVE DIED IN VAIN!

IF THERE'S NO ONE TO CARRY ON...

WAIT... HONEY!

RATTLE

WELL, I'D BETTER BE GOING. THE BOAT LEAVES SOON.

...I SEE...

!!

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT ANYONE SAYS. THERE'S NO HOLDING BACK AN INQUISITIVE MIND.

KALURA...

TALK SOME SENSE INTO YOUR SON!!

KA-CHA

...

...

EREN...

WHEN I GET HOME... I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT'S IN THE BASEMENT...

...THAT I'VE BEEN KEEPING SECRET ALL THIS TIME.

R-REALLY?!

JINGLE

...WHAT?

EREN...

"FOOLISH" ...?!

...DO ANYTHING AS FOOLISH AS JOINING THE SURVEY CORPS!

WHAT ?!

I WON'T LET YOU...

EREN...

...

...ARE THE REAL FOOLS!

THE WAY I SEE IT... PEOPLE WHO ARE SATISFIED LIVING LIKE CAGED BIRDS...

...

I WILL!

...SO HELP HIM OUT IF HE GETS IN TROUBLE.

THAT BOY IS FOOLHARDY...

MIKASA...

WHAT'S WRONG, HERETIC?
IF IT HURTS, HIT ME BACK!
N-NO WAY! I'M NOT GOING TO STOOP TO YOUR LEVEL!!
WHAT'S THAT?!
IT'S BECAUSE YOU KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING IS RIGHT...
THAT'S WHY THE ONLY ANSWER YOU HAVE FOR ME IS YOUR FISTS!
A-AND THAT'S AS GOOD AS ADMITTING DEFEAT!
S-SHUT UP, YOU TRICKY BASTARD !!
KNOCK IT OFF!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU GUYS DOING?!
DASH

HM?!

WAAAAAH

NOW'S OUR CHANCE TO KICK THE LITTLE BASTARD'S ASS!!

IT'S EREN!!

DUNNN

F-FORGET IT! MIKASA'S WITH HIM!!

WAAAAAH

AH !!

HEY! YOU OKAY, ARMIN?

!!

OW...

...THEY SAW MIKASA AND RAN.

SLIP

M-MORE LIKE ...

HUFF

HUFF

TH-THEY TOOK ONE LOOK AT ME AND RAN AWAY!

I-I CAN STAND UP ON MY OWN.

MM? YOU SURE...?

...

SO WHEN I SAID THE HUMAN RACE...
...SHOULD EVENTUALLY GO TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD...
...HE PUNCHED ME...
...AND CALLED ME A "HERETIC".
SNIFF
グスン
DAMN IT, WHY DO PEOPLE FROWN ON EVEN THE SLIGHTEST MENTION OF WANTING TO GO "OUTSIDE"?
FWISH
ポチャン
PLOOSH
WELL... IT'S BECAUSE WE'VE LIVED HERE PEACEFULLY INSIDE THE WALL FOR 100 YEARS NOW.
PEOPLE ARE AFRAID THAT IF WE GO OUT CARELESSLY, **THEY** COULD GET IN.
ROYAL GOVERNMENT POLICY SAYS THAT EVEN HAVING AN INTEREST IN GOING TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD IS TABOO.
IN OTHER WORDS, THE KING IS A COWARD!
...YOU'RE RIGHT ABOUT THAT.
BUT I WONDER IF THAT'S THE ONLY REASON...
THEY'RE **OUR** LIVES!
WE CAN DO WHAT WE WANT WITH THEM, RIGHT?
AB-SOLUTE-LY...
...NOT!

I DON'T REMEMBER AGREEING TO KEEP IT A SECRET.

THAT REMINDS ME, THANKS A LOT FOR RATTING ME OUT TO MOM AND DAD!!

!

NO WAY.

...

...NATURALLY...

...THEY WEREN'T PLEASED.

OF COURSE ...

SO... HOW'D THEY TAKE IT?

...BUT COME ON, IT'S DANGER-OUS.

LOOK, I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL...

W-WHAT THE HELL?! ARE YOU TELLING ME TO GIVE UP ON IT TOO?!

...THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT THEY WON'T BREAK THROUGH IT TODAY, FOR EXAMPLE.

JUST BECAUSE THE WALL HASN'T BEEN BREACHED IN 100 YEARS...

I MEAN, FOR SURE, I THINK THE PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE WE'LL BE SAFE INSIDE THIS WALL FOREVER HAVE A SCREW LOOSE.

BOOM

AN EARTH-QUAKE?!

W-WHAT WAS THAT?!

?!?

HUH...?!

WHAT?

LET'S CHECK IT OUT!!

FWOOOO
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カラ
ARMIN, WHAT IS IT...?!
TA TA TA TA
H-HEY... WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU LOOKING AT?!
SWISH
DASH

KRK KRK
TH-THUMP!
...
IT CAN'T BE... !!
TH-THUMP!
FOOOO
TH-THUMP!
TH-THAT WALL'S 50 METERS HIGH...
TH-THUMP!
...AH...
TH-THUMP!
...ONE OF THEM...

A TITAN!

THAT DAY, THE HUMAN RACE REMEMBERED...

WHOOM

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...AND THE SHAME...

FW

...OF BEING HELD CAPTIVE IN A BIRDCAGE.

Episode 2: That Day

AS EVERYONE KNOWS, 107 YEARS AGO...

...THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE, SAVE FOR US...

...WAS DEVOURED BY THE TITANS.

...AND THUS SUCCESSFULLY SECURED A SAFE, TITAN-FREE DOMAIN.

FOLLOWING THAT, OUR ANCESTORS CONSTRUCTED MIGHTY WALLS THAT THE TITANS COULDN'T GET OVER...

THAT IS, UNTIL FIVE YEARS AGO...

I'M SURE MANY OF YOU WERE PRESENT THERE...

...FIVE YEARS AGO, WHEN TRAGEDY STRUCK AGAIN.

FWOO

IT'S MOVING !!

?!

EVEN THE BIGGEST TITANS ARE LESS THAN 15 METERS TALL*...! FOR ITS HEAD TO STICK OUT OVER A 50-METER WALL...!

N-NO WAY...

*ABOUT 50 FEET

FWOOO

OOOOO

BA
KOOMM

WHOOM
KH...
?!
OOOOO
OOO
FWOOOO
WHOOM
WHOOM
WHOOM
WHOOM

FOOOO

FOOOO

FWOOOO

...AH...

...MADE A HOLE IN THE WALL?!

I-IT...

AH... !!
FWOOSH
WAAAAAAAA
BOTH OF YOU, RUN!
WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THE TITANS GET IN !!
DASH
?!
EREN?!
WHIP

THOSE PIECES OF THE WALL FELL NEAR THE HOUSES!!
FWOOOO
MOM'S AT HOME!!
MIKASA!!
!!
DASH
...
...
...
QUIVER
ULP... !!
IT'S ... TOO LATE ...
THIS TOWN ...
WILL BE OVER-RUN BY TITANS!!

TA TA TA
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
THERE'S NO WAY MY HOUSE WAS HIT!
HUFF
...
HUFF
TA TA TA TA TA
I'M SURE SHE'S ALREADY ESCAPED...
HUFF
WHEN I ROUND THAT CORNER...
HUFF
TA TA TA
...MY HOUSE WILL BE THERE...
HUFF
TA TA TA
!!
...JUST LIKE ALWAYS!
AH... !!
DAMMIT!!

HUFF

DASH

MOM !!

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

...EREN, IS THAT YOU?

TWITCH

!!

MOM ...?

RATTLE

LET'S GO!!

ONE, TWO... THREE !!

SHUDDER

SHUDDER

SHUDDER

WE'RE GONNA MOVE THIS PILLAR!!

CREAK

MIKASA! HOLD THAT!!

WHAAGH
?!
NGH...!!
...?
...
...

MIKASA, HURRY!!
I KNOW!
HURRY UP!!
T-THE TITANS...
...GOT INSIDE, DIDN'T THEY?
EREN!! TAKE MIKASA AND GET OUT OF HERE!!
!!
NOW !!
...I...
I'D LOVE TO!! SO LET'S HURRY UP AND GET YOU OUT!!
COME ON!! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE TOGETHER !!
MY LEGS GOT CRUSHED BY THE RUBBLE.
EVEN IF YOU GET ME OUT, I CAN'T RUN... YOU UNDERSTAND, DON'T YOU?
I'LL CARRY YOU!!
...

MIKASA !!

AT LEAST OBEY ME THIS LAST TIME!!

WHY DON'T YOU EVER LISTEN TO ME?!

NO...

NOOO...

...

!!

WHUMP

WHUMP

AT THIS RATE...

...ALL THREE OF US WILL...!!

CREAK

RIGHT ...!

HURRY UP, MIKASA !!

BOTH OF YOU, GET AWAY FROM HERE!!

!!

DASH

FWISH

WAIT!! YOU MUSTN'T FIGHT IT!!

MR. HANNES!!

KA-CHA

FW

...AND GET AWAY !!

TAKE THE CHILDREN...

...

AFTER WHAT YOUR FAMILY DID FOR ME, IT'S HIGH TIME I PAID BACK THE DEBT!

MR. HANNES !

I'LL SLAY THIS TITAN AND SAVE ALL THREE OF YOU!

FLASH

DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE ME, KALURA!!

...

...

PLEASE !!

...THE SURE THING AND JUST RESCUE THE KIDS?

DO I GO WITH...

OR DO I TAKE A CHANCE FIGHTING THE TITAN TO TRY TO SAVE THE THREE OF THEM...?

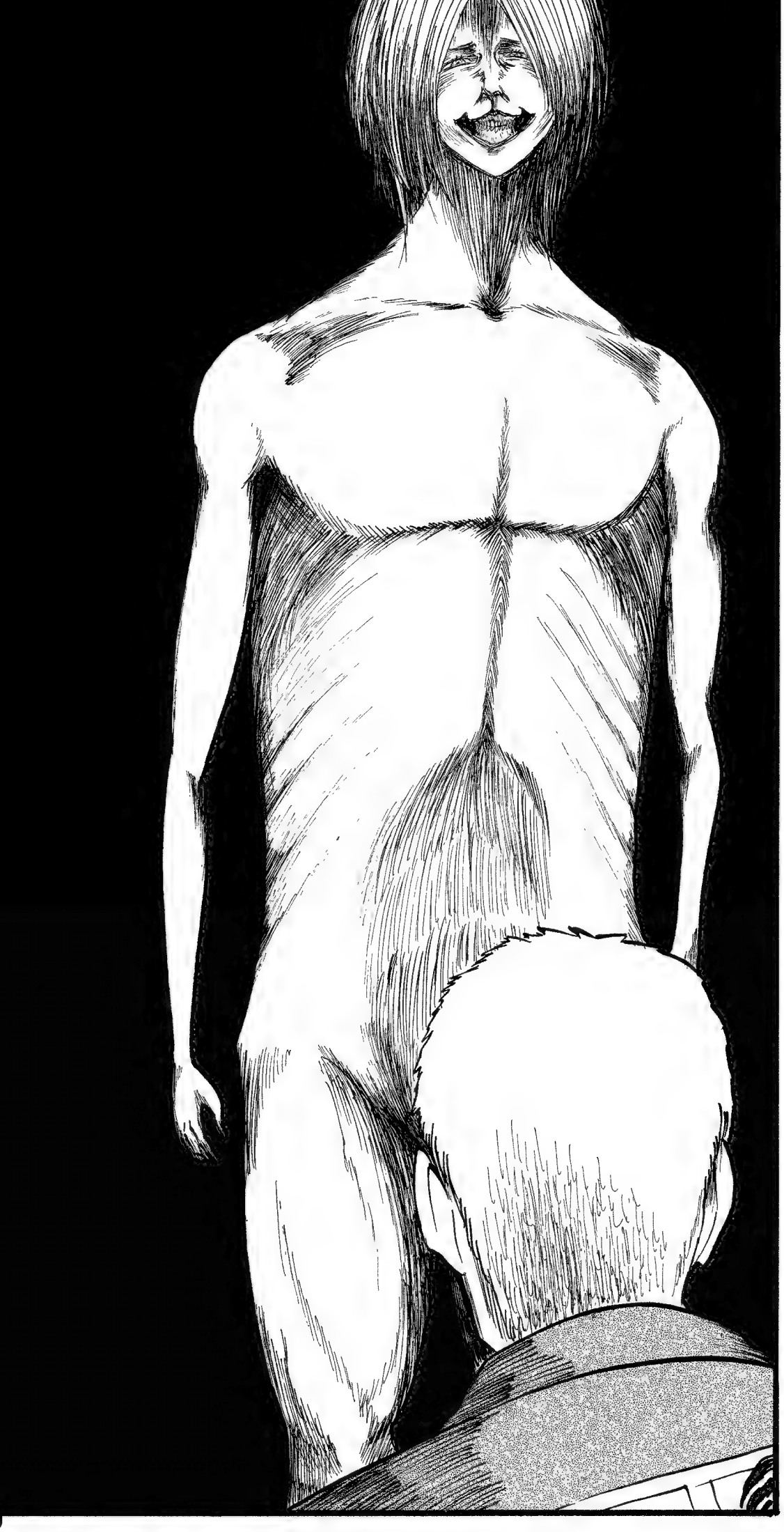
GLARE

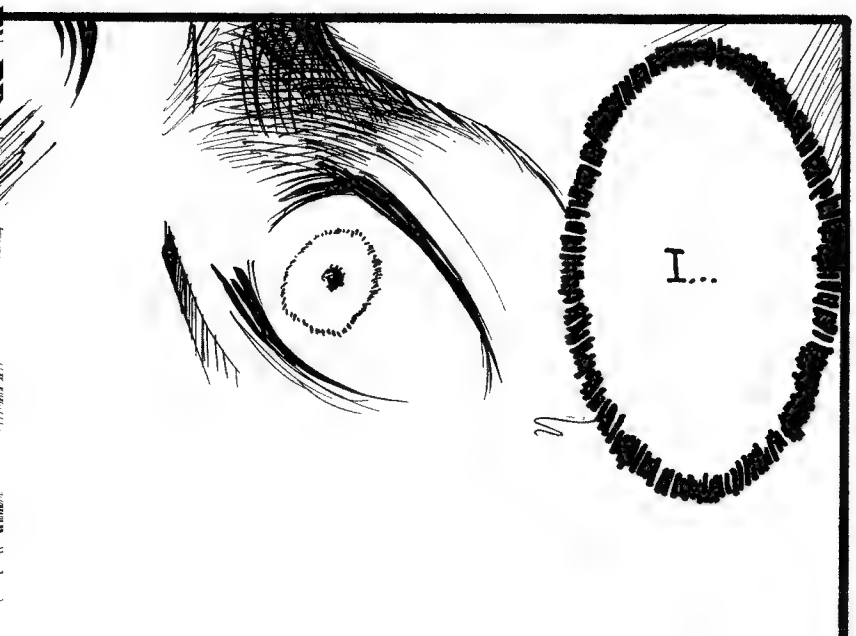
I'M GONNA...

SQUEEZE

LISTEN TO KALURA...?

OR PAY BACK MY DEBT...?!




I...

QUIVER

GRAB

?!

CHAK

H-HEY!

THANK YOU...

M-MR. HANNES ?!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! HEY... MY MOM IS STILL...

WHUMP

SURVIVE ...!!

WHUMP

EREN!! MIKASA!!

WHUMP

FLASH!!
...AH...
TA
TA
TA
TA
...D...
DON'T GO...
KRIK
NOOOOOO!!
CRUNCH
CRUNCH
CRUNCH

KRAK KRAK
AAAAAAAHHHH
AH...

SNAP

SNAP

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TA TA
TA
TA TA
HUFF
TA TA TA
HUFF
TA TA
EREN?! WHAT ARE YOU...
I WOULD'VE SAVED MOM IN ANOTHER FEW SECONDS!!
WHAM
OW...!
WHAK
IF YOU HADN'T BEEN THERE...!!
FWISH
SWISH
FLIP
WHUMP
OOF...!!

...WEREN'T STRONG ENOUGH.

...BE-CAUSE YOU...

YOU COULDN'T SAVE YOUR MOM...

...

...DIDN'T FACE THE TITAN...

GRAB

I...

SWISH

...

...BECAUSE I WASN'T BRAVE ENOUGH.

UHN...

...

I'M SORRY...

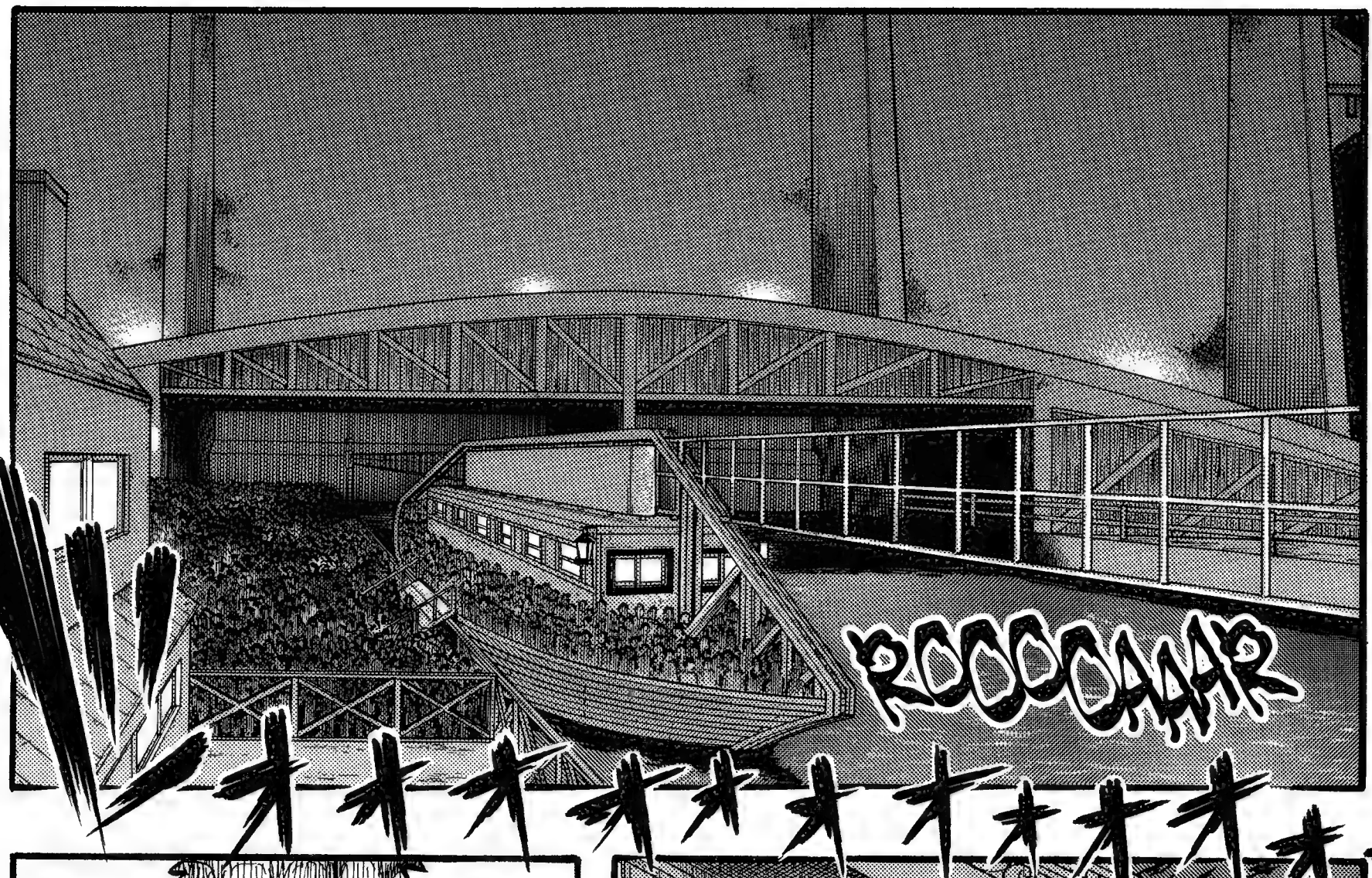
I'M SORRY...

FWOOO

THIS AGAIN...

OH...

THROB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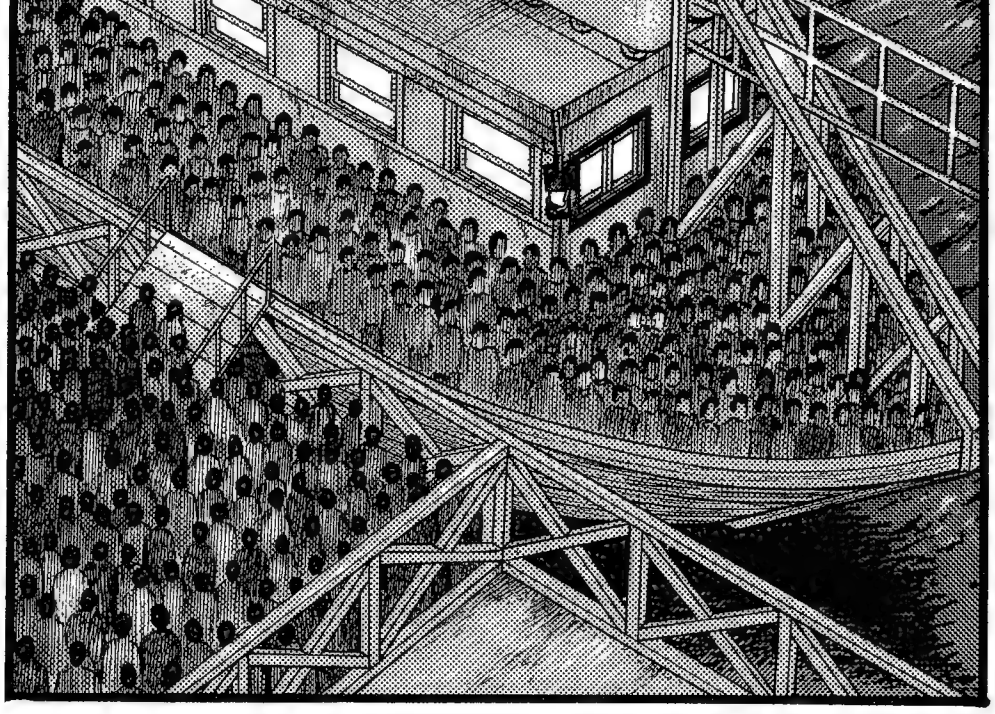
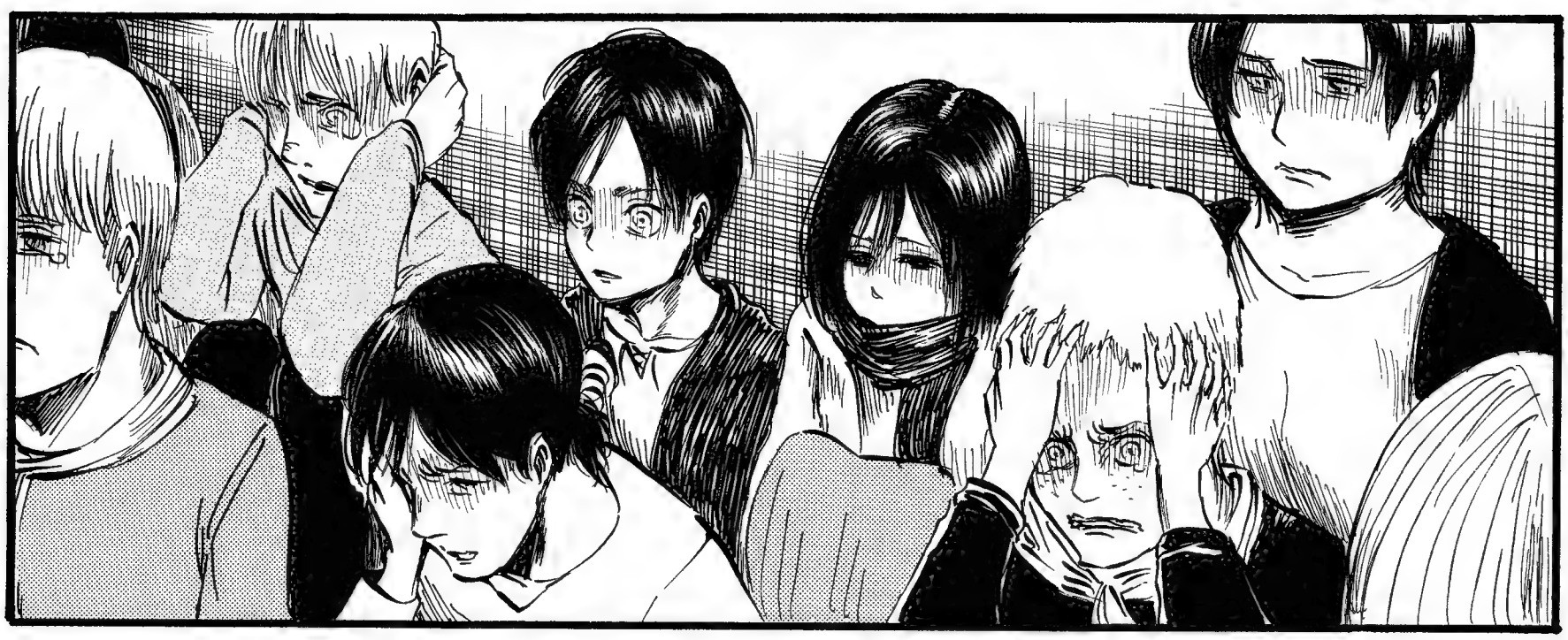
WE'RE DE-PART-ING!!
THIS BOAT'S FULL!!





WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! THERE ARE STILL A LOT OF PEOPLE INSIDE!!

IT'S TOO RISKY TO LEAVE IT OPEN ANY LONGER! CLOSE THE GATE!!

OOOO

FWOOOO

THAT'S NO REASON TO ABANDON THE PEOPLE WHO ARE RIGHT IN FRONT OF US !!

WHAT'S LEFT OF HUMAN TERRITORY WILL FALL BACK TO THE NEXT WALL!

IF THIS GATE'S DESTROYED, IT WON'T JUST BE ONE TOWN THAT'S INVADED BY TITANS!!

STOP IT!!

!!

WHAT THE HELL IS THAT THING?! OUR WEAPONS AREN'T WORKING!

A TITAN IS CHARGING TOWARDS IT!!

HURRY !!

CLOSE THE GATE!!

WHUMP

WHUMP

WHUMP

SKRRRRCH
SHOOOOOOOO
OOOOOOOOOOOM

...
WALL MARIA ?!

IT BROKE THROUGH ...

THE GATE ...

HUMANITY...

IT'S ALL OVER ...

...IS GONNA BE DEVOURED BY THE TITANS AGAIN...

I'LL NEVER BE ABLE...

UP TO THE END, ALL I COULD DO WAS ARGUE AND BE STUBBORN!

...TO GO HOME AGAIN.

MOM'S GONE!! I'M NEVER GONNA SEE HER AGAIN...

IS CRYING THE ONLY THING THE WEAK CAN DO?!

IS IT BECAUSE HUMANS ARE WEAK?

WHY IS THIS HAPPENING TO US?

ズ ズ ズ…

SWISH

I'M GONNA DESTROY THEM!!

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

FWOOOO

EVERY LAST ONE...

...OF THOSE ANIMALS...

...THAT'S ON THIS EARTH!!

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GIVEN THE SENSE OF CRISIS AT THE TIME, WE WERE ILL-PREPARED TO COPE WITH THE SUDDEN APPEARANCE OF THE **COLOSSUS TITAN**...

WE HAVE PAID THE PRICE FOR 100 YEARS OF PEACE WITH TRAGEDY.

HUMANITY'S SPHERE OF INFLUENCE HAS BEEN DRIVEN BACK TO WHERE WE ARE NOW, WALL-ROSE.

AS A RESULT, WE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO ABANDON OUR OUTER WALL, MARIA.

TITAN-TERRITORY

HUMAN-TERRITORY

WALL-SHEENA

WALL-ROSE

WALL-MARIA

...TO DESTROY THIS WALL RIGHT THIS MOMENT.

IT WOULDN'T BE A SURPRISE IF THAT COLOSSUS TITAN SHOWED UP...

...AND GIVE YOUR LIVES TO STAND AGAINST THE TITAN MENACE!

WHENEVER THAT TIME DOES COME, YOUR DUTY WILL BE TO RELIEVE THE **PRODUCERS...**

YES, SIR!!!

DEDICATE YOUR HEARTS !!

I WILL NOW ANNOUNCE THE TEN AMONG YOU WHO HAVE OBTAINED THE TOP TRAINING RESULTS. COME FORWARD IF I CALL YOUR NAME.

TODAY, YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR MILITARY TRAINING.

AT THE HEAD OF THE CLASS, MIKASA ACKERMAN.

SECOND, REINER BRAUN.

NUMBER THREE, BERTOLT HOOVER.

NUMBER FOUR, ANNIE LEONHART.

NUMBER FIVE, EREN YEAGER.

NUMBER SIX, JEAN KIRSTEIN.

NUMBER SEVEN, MARCO BOTT.

NUMBER EIGHT, CONNIE SPRINGER.

NUMBER NINE, SASHA BLOUSE.

AND NUMBER TEN, KRISTA LENZ.

YOU ARE THE TOP TEN.

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I FINALLY MADE IT...

NEXT TIME, THE HUMANS...

NEXT TIME, IT'S GONNA BE **OUR** TURN.

...WILL DEVOUR THE TITANS!!

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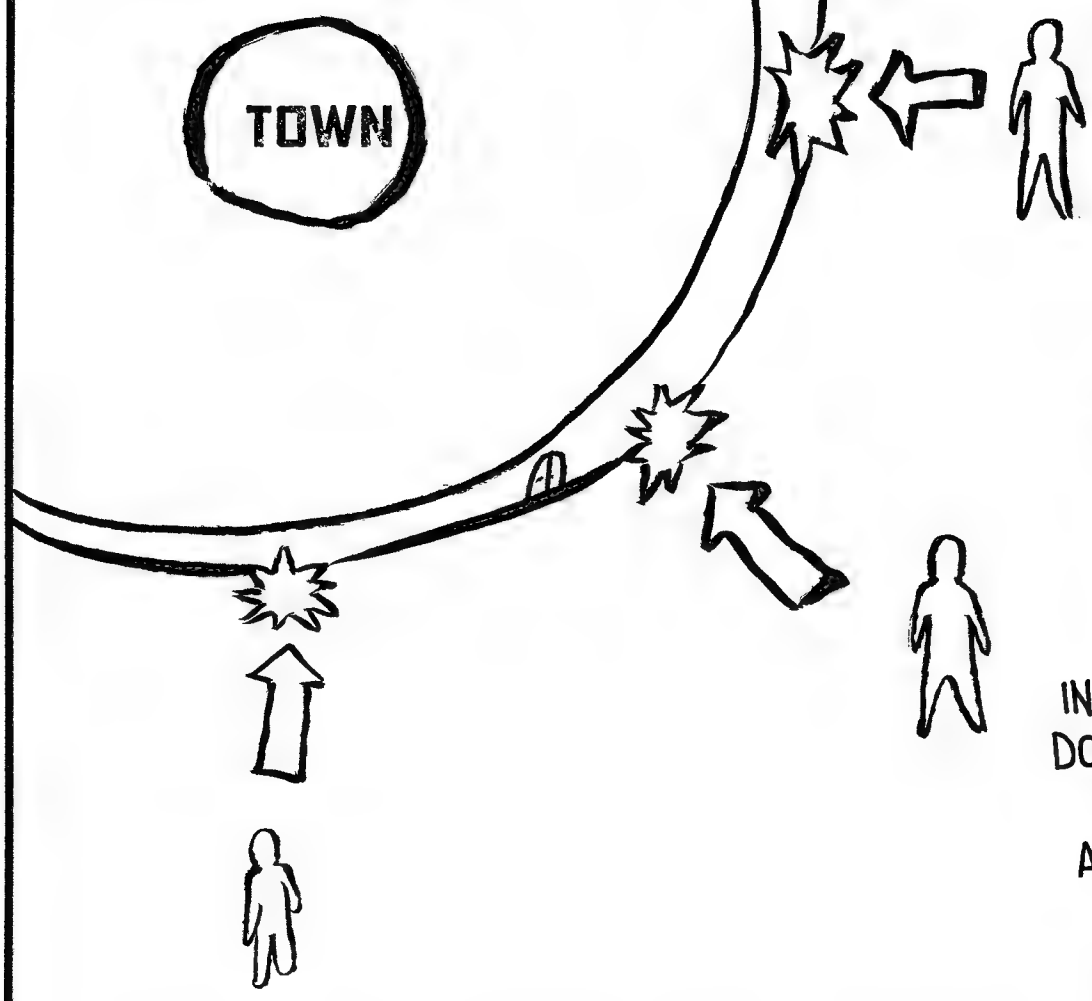
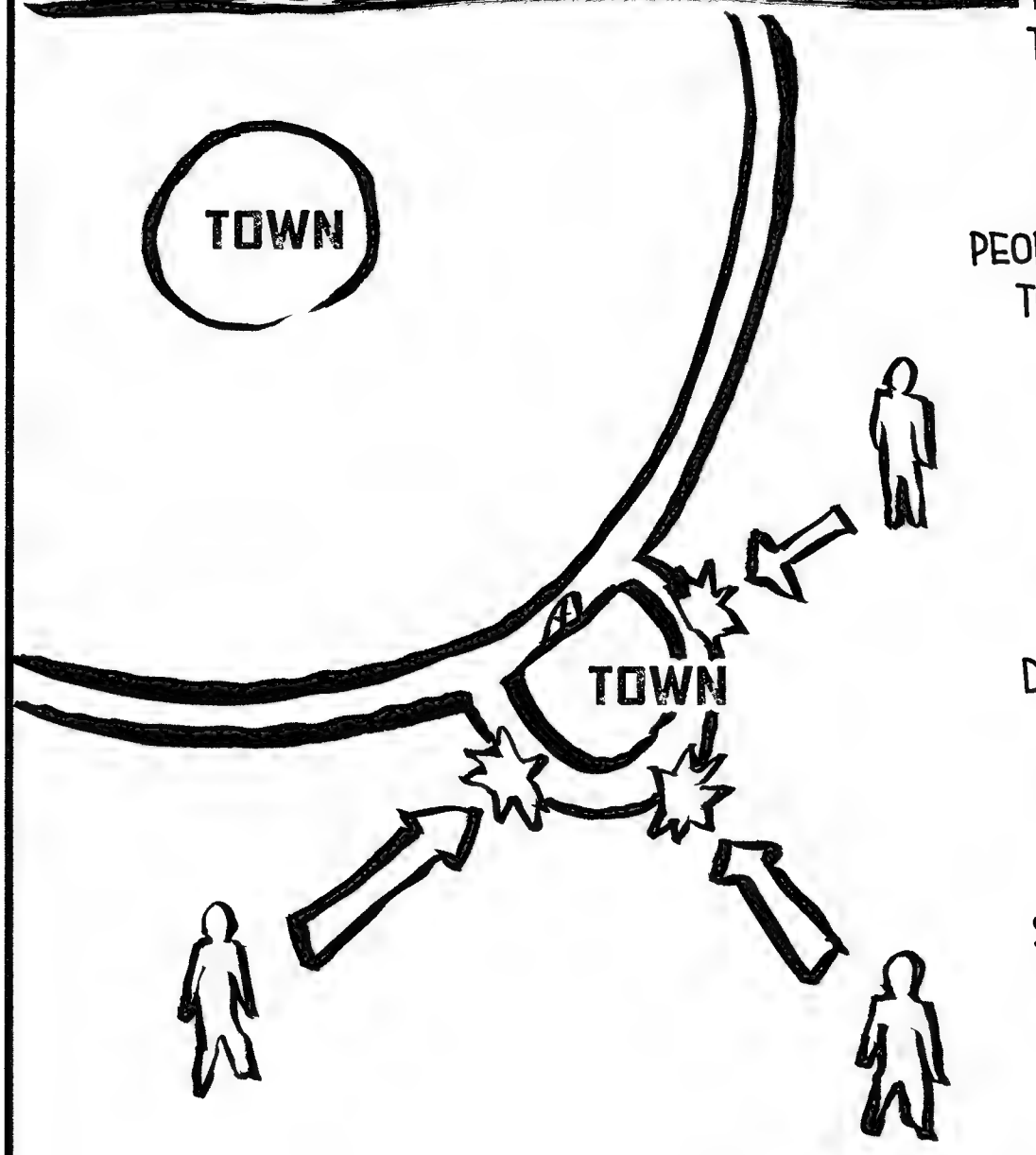




The reason for having a town jutting out of the main wall

IN THIS WORLD, WALL CONSTRUCTION IS A MATTER OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE.

AS ILLUSTRATED BY THE SIMPLE DIAGRAM ON THE LEFT, WITH A TOWN JUST BUILT INSIDE THE WALL, IN THE EVENT THAT THE TITANS BURST THROUGH, THE PEOPLE WOULD HAVE NO MEANS TO COPE WITH THE CRISIS. PUT SIMPLY, WITH SUCH A VAST CIRCUMFERENCE, PEOPLE WOULDN'T KNOW WHERE THE WALL WOULD BE BREACHED. AND NATURALLY, THERE AREN'T ENOUGH HUMANS TO SUPPORT A MILITARY FORCE THAT COULD MONITOR AND GUARD THE ENTIRE RINGED WALL.

IN OTHER WORDS, THE OBJECT IS TO NARROW DOWN THE TARGET. THIS STRATEGY KEEPS THE COST OF GUARDING THE WALL MANAGEABLE AND ALLOWS THE MILITARY TO CONSOLIDATE ITS FORCES. HOWEVER, WITHOUT HUMANS WITHIN THE WALL TO SERVE AS "BAIT" THAT WILL ATTRACT THE TITANS, THIS STRATEGY HAS NO CHANCE OF PAYING OFF. HAVING TROOPS GARRISONED AT THE TOWN GUARANTEES AN ECONOMIC BENEFIT FOR THE AREA, BUT THAT ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE FALLS SHORT WHEN COMPARED TO THE FEAR OF BEING EATEN BY A TITAN. THUS, NOT MANY PEOPLE ARE ENTHUSED ABOUT LIVING IN THESE TOWNS. THEREFORE, THE RULING MONARCHY PRAISES THE RESIDENTS OF THESE FRONT-LINE TOWNS AS "THE BRAVEST OF WARRIORS" IN AN ATTEMPT TO DRUM UP MORE VOLUNTEERS.

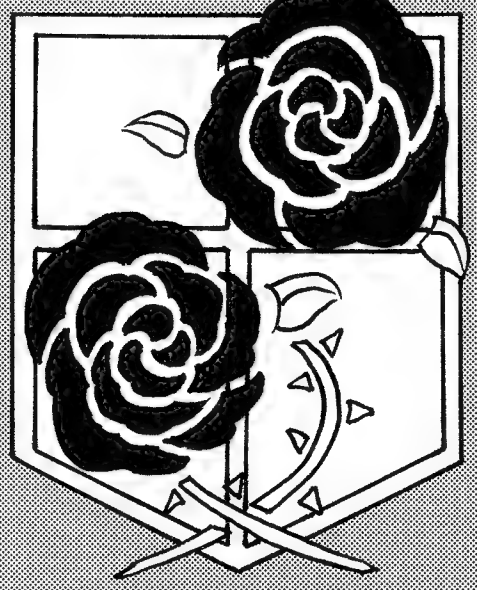
A BIT OF HISTORY: SINCE THE STRENGTH OF THE GATES THAT CONNECTS THE HUMAN DOMAIN TO THE TITANS' TERRITORY OUTSIDE THE WALLS IS INFERIOR TO THAT OF THE WALL ITSELF, THERE WAS A PROPOSAL BY CONSERVATIVES TO SEAL THE GATE OFF ENTIRELY. HOWEVER, REFORMISTS SUCCESSFULLY ARGUED THAT "ABANDONING THE GATES TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD IS TANTAMOUNT TO ABANDONING THE WILL OF THE HUMAN RACE TO RECLAIM ITS DOMINION" AND THE PLAN WAS HALTED.

AS THE STORY PROGRESSES, MORE LIGHT WILL BE SHED ON HOW THE WALL WAS INITIALLY BUILT AND THE SITUATION AT THE TIME OF ITS CONSTRUCTION.

...YOU HAVE THREE CHOICES.

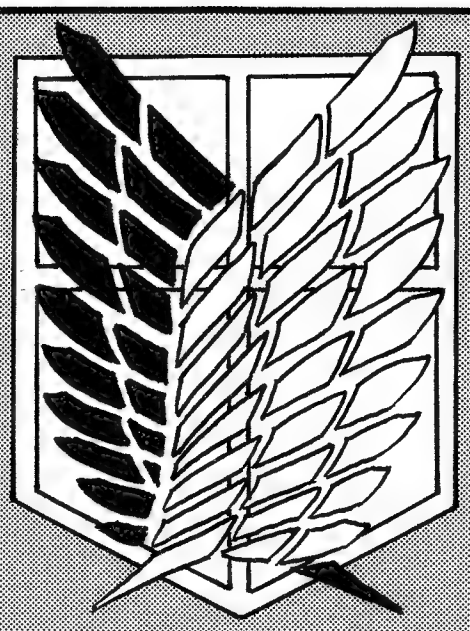
FWOOOO

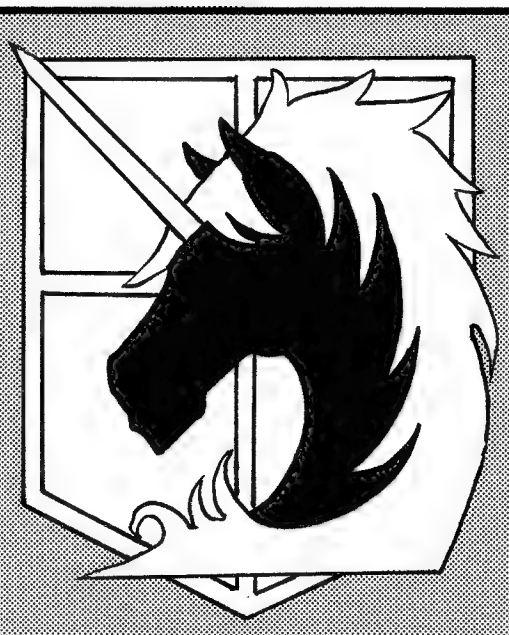
NOW THAT YOU'VE COMPLETED YOUR TRAINING...



THE GARRISON, WHICH REINFORCES THE WALLS, THEREBY PROTECTING ALL OF THE TOWNS...

THE SURVEY CORPS, PREPARED TO SACRIFICE THEIR LIVES OUTSIDE THE WALLS BY DEFYING THE TITANS IN THEIR OWN DOMAIN...





AND **THE MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE,** WHICH EXERCISES CONTROL OVER THE KING'S SUBJECTS AND MAINTAINS ORDER...

OF COURSE, OUT OF YOU RAW RECRUITS, THE ONLY ONES WHO **CAN** JOIN THE MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE...

...ARE THE TEN WITH THE HIGHEST SCORES.

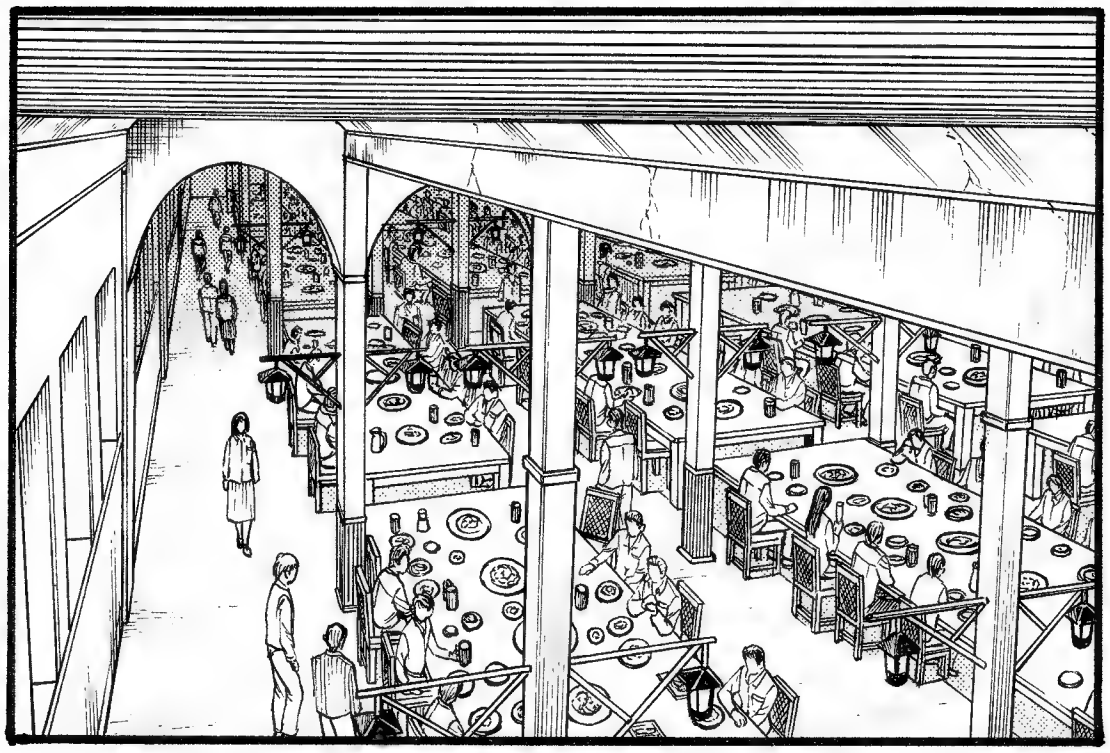
Episode 3: Night of the Disbanding Ceremony

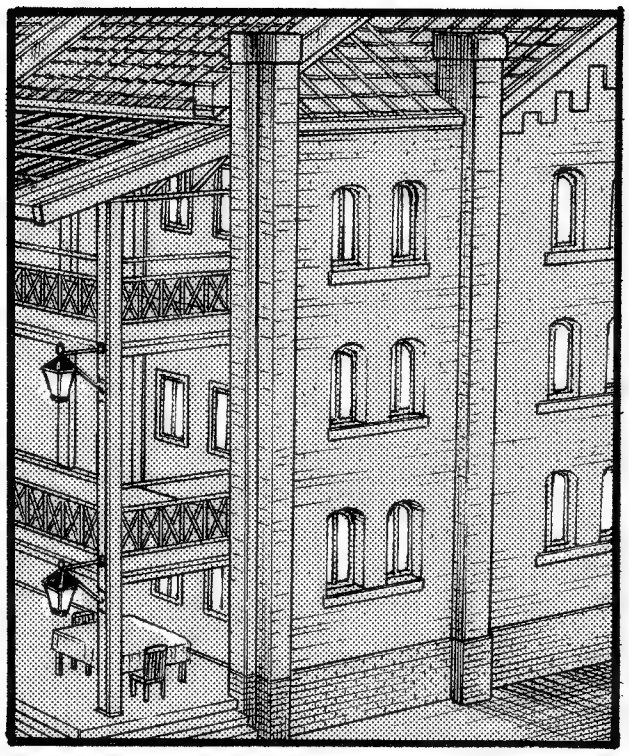
BUT AS OF RIGHT NOW, THE 104TH TRAINING CORPS IS OFFICIALLY DISBANDED! DISMISSED!

SOON, I'LL BE ASKING YOU WHICH BRANCH YOU WANT TO BE ASSIGNED TO.

YES, SIR!

FWOOOO





HUH?

I'M SURE YOU'RE GONNA JOIN THE MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE, RIGHT?

LUCKY BASTARDS, MAKING THE TOP TEN!

GETTING TO WORK NEAR THE KING... IT'S AN HONOR!!

I'M GOING WITH THE MPs, TOO.

GASP

THAT GOES WITHOUT SAYING! WHY THE HELL ELSE WOULD I HAVE AIMED TO CRACK THE TOP TEN?!

YOU CAN'T WAIT TO GET INTO THE INTERIOR, RIGHT?

TELL ME HOW YOU REALLY FEEL.

GRAB

PFFT !!

ARE YOU STILL PLAYING THE GOODY-GOODY, MARCO?

A SAFE, COMFORTABLE LIFE IS WAITING FOR US IN THE INTERIOR, RIGHT?!

BAM

WE CAN FINALLY ESCAPE THIS SHITTY, SUFFOCATING FRONT-LINE TOWN!!

I FORGOT YOU WERE A PRIZE PUPIL!

OH, SORRY! MY BAD!

SH-SHAME ON YOU! AT LEAST, I'M NOT...

SNIGH

BUT WHAT WOULD YOU GUYS DO?

BUZZ

YOU...

WHA...

...

...

OR GIVEN THE CHOICE, WOULD YOU RATHER STAY HERE IN THIS "HUMAN STRONGHOLD", OR WHATEVER THEY LIKE TO CALL IT?!

RATTLE

I MEAN, GETTING THE CHANCE TO LIVE IN THE INTERIOR, IT'S ALMOST UNHEARD OF, RIGHT?!

SO IF IT MEANT NOT HAVING TO COWER IN FRIGHT WHEN YOU HEAR TITAN FOOT-STEPS...

...NONE OF US ASKED TO BE BORN IN THIS BORDER TOWN.

WELL...

SO... HOW ABOUT YOU GUYS?

YOU'D ALL LIKE TO GO TO THE INTERIOR, RIGHT?

CREAK

GOOD ANSWER...

...BUT I DON'T WANT ANYONE TO THINK I'M LIKE **YOU.**

ME TOO...

I'M APPLYING TO THE MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE.

YOU SAID THE INTERIOR IS COMFORT-ABLE...?

...

UNTIL FIVE YEARS AGO, **THIS** TOWN WAS PART OF THE INTERIOR, TOO.

HAHA HA-HA!!

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HEY...

JEAN... YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO TO THE INTERIOR.

I MEAN, ISN'T THE INTERIOR OF YOUR BRAIN SOFT ENOUGH FOR YOU?

DON'T.

...

S-SORRY!

WAAH...

EREN...

PFFT!

UWAAA!

...MORE THAN ANYONE.

WELL, I'M NOT ...I'M LOOKING AT REALITY.

...

...THAT I'M AN IDIOT, EREN?

GYAK

ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY...

AN ALL-OUT ATTACK WAS LAUNCHED...

FOUR YEARS AGO, TWENTY PERCENT OF THE HUMAN POPULATION WAS SENT OUT TO RECOVER TERRITORY STOLEN BY THE TITANS.

HOW MANY MORE WOULD WE HAVE NEEDED TO RETAKE OUR LAND?

AND MOST OF THEM ENDED UP WALKING STRAIGHT INTO A TITAN'S MOUTH, SWALLOWED WHOLE.

HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF TITANS WHO DOMINATE THIS PLANET IS A LOT MORE THAN 1/30TH OF THE HUMAN RACE.

FOR EVERY ONE OF THEM THAT WE DEFEATED, AN AVERAGE OF 30 HUMANS DIED.

HUMANITY...

I THINK IT'S CRYSTAL CLEAR.

...DOESN'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST THE TITANS.

SIGHHH...

SO WHAT?

LOOK... IT'S LIKE A FUNERAL IN HERE, THANKS TO YOU.

...

SO WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS, "I DON'T THINK WE CAN WIN, SO I'M GIVING UP."

HUH? WERE YOU LISTENING TO ME?

IS IT BETTER TO ESCAPE FROM REALITY, TO THE POINT WHERE YOU'RE THROWING AWAY YOUR HOPE?

TELL ME... WHAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT GIVING UP?

...IT'S A GIVEN THAT WE'D LOSE TO THE TITANS IN MATERIAL TERMS.

...

IN THE FIRST PLACE...

WE LOST THEN, BUT THE INFORMATION WE GAINED WILL SURELY LEAD TO OUR HOPE FOR THE FUTURE.

ONE OF THE CAUSES OF THE DEFEAT FOUR YEARS AGO WAS OUR IGNORANCE ABOUT THE TITANS...

I...

I HAVE A DREAM...

AND YET YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE UP ON DEVELOPING STRATEGIES TO FIGHT THEM? DO YOU WANT TO BE TITAN FOOD THAT BADLY? GIVE ME A BREAK.

IT'S TO EXTERMINATE THE TITANS AND LEAVE THIS CRAMPED WALLED-UP WORLD. MY DREAM IS TO EXPLORE...

...THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

WHAT?!

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! YOU MUST BE THE ONE WITH THE SOFT NOGGIN!

HA!

...

I GOT IT...

OKAY... YOU'RE RIGHT...

LOOK AT THEM! NOT A SINGLE PERSON HERE AGREES WITH YOU!

OF COURSE, THAT'S JUST WHAT I'M GONNA DO, BUT YOU WANNA GO OUTSIDE THE WALL, RIGHT? GO ON AHEAD! THE TITANS YOU MUST LOVE SO MUCH ARE WAITING FOR YOU!

DIN ズズズ DINDIN

SO SHOVE OFF TO THE INTERIOR... HAVING A DEFEATIST LIKE YOU HERE ON THE FRONT LINE IS BAD FOR MORALE!

HEH...

PAIN IN THE ASS...

WHOK

THERE THEY GO AGAIN !!

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WHOAAA!

COME ON, EREN! WHAT'S WRONG?! IF YOU'RE HAVING TROUBLE AGAINST ME, A MERE HUMAN...

?!

THG

...YOU'RE NOT FIT TO GO UP AGAINST THE TITANS!!

!!

KDOOSH

OF COURSE NOT, IDIOT !!

WHUMP

HNF!!

FWISH

NGH ...!!

FWOOO

...

UGH ...!!

JEAN, DID YOU FORGET WHAT EREN'S HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT SCORE WAS?!

HEY! THAT'S ENOUGH!

UH-OH...

FWOOO

IT WAS THE TOP OF OUR CLASS!

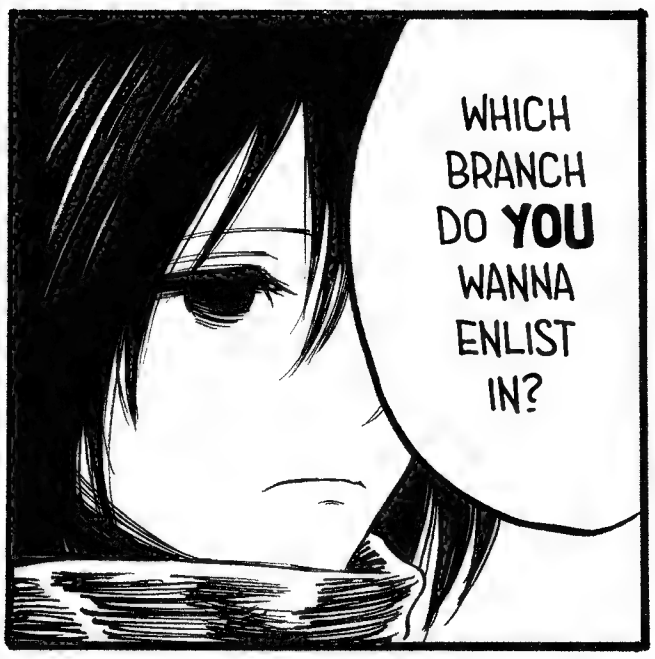
FWISH

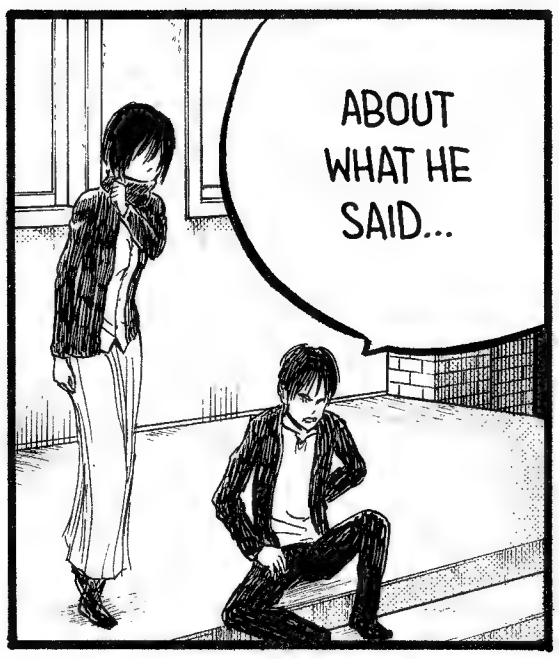
THUP
?!
GRAB
HOST
...?! MIKASA ?!
OR, WAIT... WAS HE SECOND TO MIKASA?
FLAIL FLAIL FLAIL FLAIL
P-PUT ME DOWN !!
JEAN, IF YOU GUYS KEEP MAKING A RACKET, THE INSTRUCTOR'S GONNA COME BY!
HEY... FRANZ... !!
LEAN
THIS IS THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE FAREWELL PARTY! DON'T STOP ME!!
UM, NO... I THINK WE'VE ALL HAD OUR FILL.
LET'S STOP FIGHTING AMONGST OUR-SELVES!
HAHAHA
HEY!
PUT ME DOWN, MIKASA...!
TCH.
YOU'RE LUCKY, EREN!
HAVING MIKASA TO CARRY YOU AROUND LIKE THAT!

I BET YOU'RE PLANNING TO DRAG HER INTO THE SURVEY CORPS JUST THE SAME WAY!

YOU ALWAYS ACT IMPULSIVELY WHEN YOU GET ANGRY...
...THAT HURT, DAMMIT!!

THUD
OOF!!


WHICH BRANCH DO **YOU** WANNA ENLIST IN?


ABOUT WHAT HE SAID...

THEY'RE CALLING YOU THE MOST TALENTED PERSON WHO'S EVER BEEN THROUGH TRAINING... I'M SURE YOU'D GET SPECIAL TREATMENT!

YOU WERE AT THE HEAD OF OUR CLASS... APPLY FOR THE MPS!

...

I'M JOINING THE SURVEY CORPS.

KRUSTE

WITHOUT ME AROUND, YOU'LL DIE AN EARLY DEATH.

IF YOU JOIN THE GARRISON...

IF YOU JOIN THE MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE, THEN SO WILL I.

...I'LL DO THE SAME.

I DIED ONCE AND WAS RESTORED TO LIFE. I WON'T FORGET THAT DEBT.

AS LONG AS WE LIVE...

HOW LONG DO YOU INTEND TO KEEP AT THIS?!

I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO STICK WITH ME!

I DON'T WANT TO LOSE ANY MORE FAMILY...

BUT MORE THAN ANY-THING...

LET'S GO BACK TO THE DORM.

OH... HEY, ARMIN...

THE PARTY'S BREAKING UP, YOU TWO...

CHFF

...

FOOO

...

WHICH BRANCH ARE YOU GONNA APPLY TO?

ARE YOU SERIOUS?

I MEAN, YOU'RE...

!!

I'M GONNA JOIN THE SURVEY CORPS!

I'M WEAKER THAN THE AVERAGE PERSON.

AND IT WAS A MIRACLE THAT I PASSED THE SIMULATED COMBAT GRADUATION TEST...

YEAH, I KNOW...

MAKING AN INEFFICIENT CHOICE THAT DISREGARDS YOUR STRENGTHS? I WOULDN'T CALL THAT COURA-GEOUS.

...

BUT DIDN'T THE INSTRUCTOR TELL YOU TO BECOME A TECHNICIAN, SINCE YOU'RE ACADEMICALLY AT THE TOP OF THE CLASS?!

...

IF I DIED IT WOULDN'T MATTER!

...

!

CHEE CHEE

FWAP

!

CHEE

FWAP

YES, SIR!

ALL RIGHT, YOU'RE DISMISSED FOR TODAY.

DISCIPLINE IS IMPORTANT, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO YOU GUYS, I JUST CAN'T GET USED TO IT...

BEEN A LONG TIME, HUH...?!

UH... AT EASE.

AH... YOU RUGRATS HAVE GOTTEN BIGGER AGAIN, HAVEN'T YOU?

I SEE... IT **HAS** BEEN FIVE YEARS SINCE YOU CAME TO THIS TOWN, HUH?

I CAN'T GET USED TO IT EITHER...

A DRUNKARD LIKE YOU, NOW A SQUAD LEADER IN THE GARRISON...

YOU DIDN'T HAVE A CHOICE.

ENOUGH ABOUT THAT AL-READY.

...

I'M SORRY...

...I COULDN'T SAVE YOUR MOTHER.

BEFORE YOU GUYS WERE BORN...

BUT THEN ONE DAY, DR. YEAGER APPEARED WITH THE ANTIBODY FOR IT...

MY WHOLE FAMILY WAS CURED.

...MY FAMILY CAME DOWN WITH THE DISEASE THAT KILLED SO MUCH OF OUR TOWN.

THE ONLY THING TO POSSIBLY GO ON IS YOUR MEMORY, SINCE YOU WERE THE LAST ONE TO SEE HIM...

I STILL DON'T HAVE THE SLIGHTEST CLUE ABOUT WHERE YOUR FATHER, DR. YEAGER, IS.

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO HEAR THIS?

I WANTED TO PAY BACK THAT DEBT TO YOUR FAMILY, BUT NOW I'LL NEVER GET THE CHANCE...

!

THROB

!

SLUMP

EREN ?!

DO YOU REMEMBER ANYTHING?

I-I'LL BE OKAY...

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, EREN ?!

THUD

O-OH, THAT'S RIGHT. SORRY... I TOTALLY FORGOT ABOUT THAT...

MR. HANNES!

THUD

THUD

THUD

EVEN THOUGH... I CAN'T REMEMBER A DAMN THING...

...BUT WHY DOES THIS HAPPEN? FEELS LIKE MY HEAD'S... GONNA SPLIT IN TWO!

DAD...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

STOP IT! DAD!

EREN !!

YOU'VE BEEN ACTING CRAZY EVER SINCE MOM DIED!!

?!

GRAB

EREN ...!!

BOOM

HOLD OUT YOUR ARM!

YOU WERE CRYING OUT IN YOUR SLEEP. WHAT WERE YOU DREAMING ABOUT?

...ARE YOU OKAY? YOU COLLAPSED RIGHT AFTER THAT, SO WE CARRIED YOU HERE TO THE DORM.

WHAT **WAS** IT ABOUT? ...HUH...? I FORGOT ALREADY.

...WE'RE GETTING MORE PEOPLE.

THEY MAY CALL IT A FRONT-LINE TOWN, BUT...

Y'KNOW...

MAYBE THAT COLOSSUS TITAN HAS GIVEN UP ON US...

NOT TO MENTION WE'VE MADE THE WALL A LOT STRONGER THESE PAST FIVE YEARS.

PEOPLE CANNOT LIVE IN FEAR FOREVER.

WELL, NOTHING **HAS** HAPPENED FOR FIVE YEARS NOW.

...

YOU'RE GETTING AHEAD OF YOUR-SELF, EREN!

TO EVEN THINK WE'D MAKE A GOOD COUPLE ...

WH-WHO SAID WE WERE MARRIED ...?!

GRRP

MARRIAGE HAS TURNED YOU SOFT!

WHAT'S THAT FOOLISH CRAP?!

YOU TWO...

FWOOOOO

WHAT...?! YOU'RE GONNA JOIN THE SURVEY CORPS?

HUH ?!

YOUR SPEECH LAST NIGHT HAD AN EFFECT ON HIM.

NATURALLY, THE MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE'S A WISER CHOICE... BUT STILL...

FWOOOOOO

CONNIE... YOU'RE NUMBER EIGHT, RIGHT?! BEFORE, YOU SAID YOU WERE GONNA JOIN THE MP BRIGADE...

S-SHUT THE HELL UP!! I DECIDED FOR MYSELF!

THAT DOESN'T EXPLAIN WHY YOU'D JOIN THE SURVEY CORPS...

I JUST DON'T WANNA BE IN THE SAME BRANCH AS THAT BASTARD!

W-WRONG!! I... IT WAS...THAT'S RIGHT! IT WAS JEAN!

BESIDES, YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY ONE...

PARDON ME, BUT...

FOO

DON'T BE SO EMBARRASSED! SOMETIMES EVEN WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT YOU **SHOULD** DO, YOU STILL HESITATE TO FOLLOW THROUGH.

...

I BORROWED A LITTLE MEAT FROM THE SENIOR OFFICERS' PRIVATE STOCK.

SASHA... YOU WANNA GET THROWN INTO SOLITARY...?

BUZZ BUZZ

YOU KNOW, YOU REALLY ARE DUMB.

SCARY DUMB.

...

CLINK ガコ

DON'T WORRY.

THAT'S RIGHT! EVER SINCE OUR TERRITORY SHRANK, MEAT HAS BECOME INCREDIBLY PRECIOUS!

PUT IT BACK!

LET'S SPLIT IT UP LATER. SLICE IT, SLAP IT BETWEEN SOME BREAD... HEEHEEHEE...

HUH?

I SEE YOUR POINT.

ONCE WE RECAPTURE OUR TERRI-TORY...

...WE'LL BE ABLE TO KEEP MORE COWS AND SHEEP AGAIN.

ONCE WE EAT IT, ALL THAT'S LEFT IS PREPARING OURSELVES FOR THE WORST!!

IT'LL BE LIKE A CELEBRATION IN ANTICIPATION OF REGAINING WALL MARIA.

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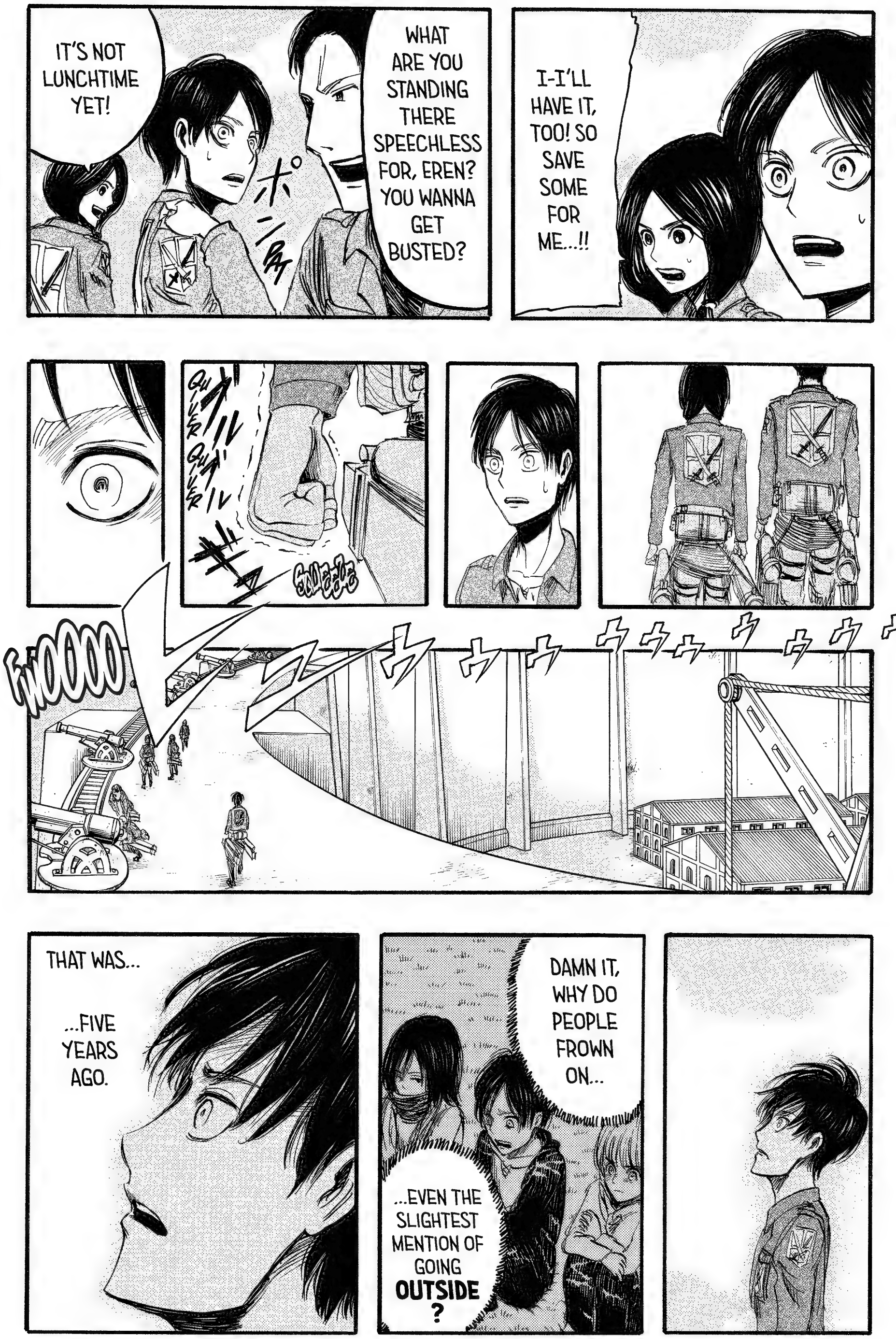
THOMAS...

I'LL EAT THAT MEAT, TOO!!


I-I'LL HAVE IT, TOO! SO SAVE SOME FOR ME...!!
WHAT ARE YOU STANDING THERE SPEECHLESS FOR, EREN? YOU WANNA GET BUSTED?
IT'S NOT LUNCHTIME YET!
QUIVER QUIVER
FWOOOO
DAMN IT, WHY DO PEOPLE FROWN ON...
...EVEN THE SLIGHTEST MENTION OF GOING **OUTSIDE**?
THAT WAS...
...FIVE YEARS AGO.

...THE HUMAN RACE IS TAKING BACK ITS DIGNITY.

FWOOOO

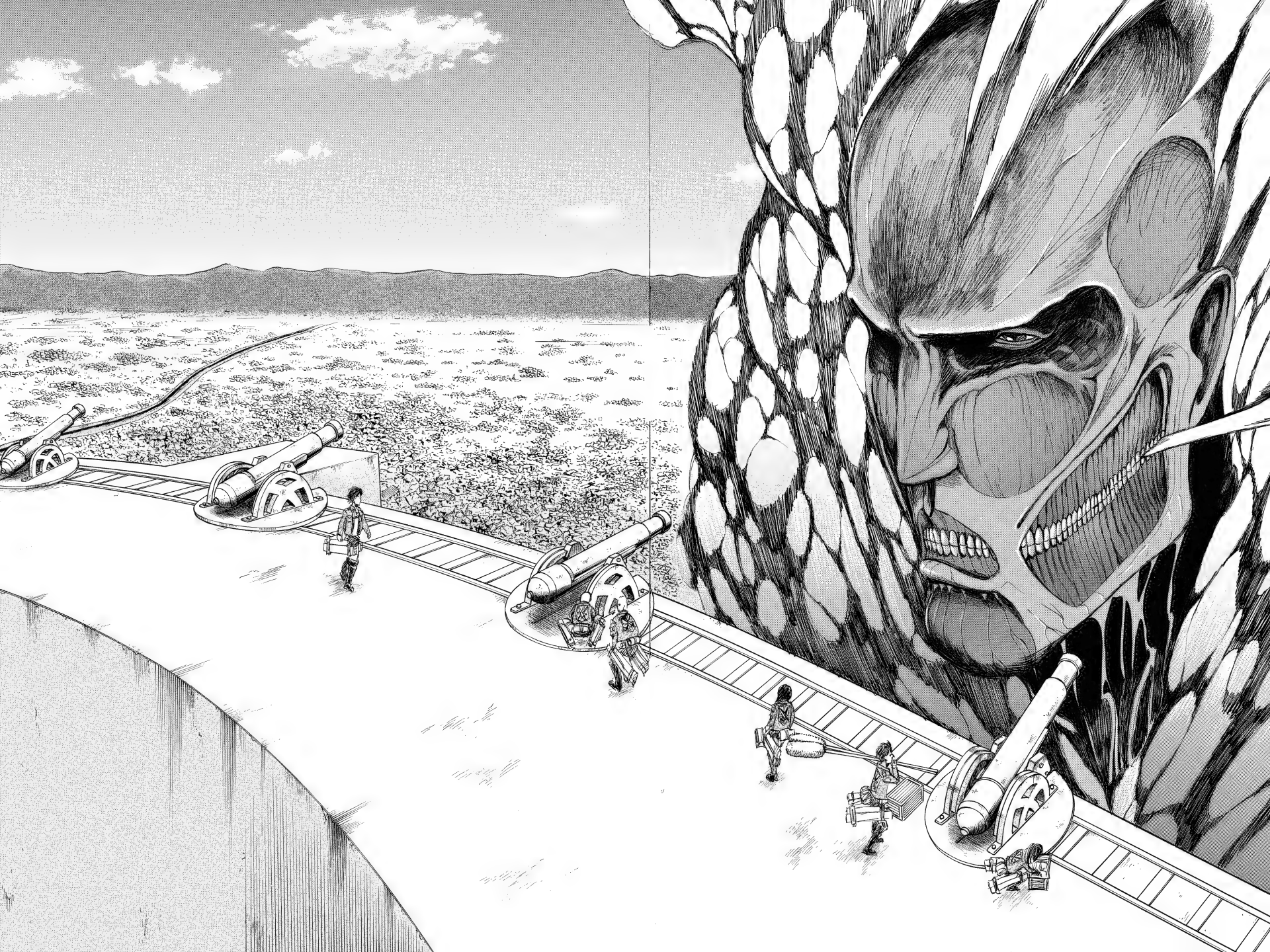
FINALLY, AFTER LOSING A THIRD OF OUR TERRITORY AND 20% OF THE POPULATION...

FWOOOO

WE CAN WIN...

...BEGINS NOW!

HUMANITY'S COUNTERATTACK...



SHOOM
WHOOOSH

IT BURNS ...?!
WHA... ?!
WHAT'S... ?!
FWOOOO
WAAAGH!
?!
EVERY-ONE!!
UNGH ...!!

SWITCH TO VERTICAL MANUEVER-ING!

FWOOO

SPIN

SWISH

RIGHT !!

CHAK

FWSSH

FWSSH

SHOOOOOOOO

TAK TAK

?!

FWOOO

AH!!

SASHA ?!

SWISH

HEY!! SAMUEL !!

FWOOO

FWOOOO

DASH

FWOOSH

DASH

THK

...

SAMUEL! DON'T MOVE!

UNH...

UNHHH...

FWOOOO

OOOO

KRIK KRIK
KRIK KRIK
KRIK KRIK
THAT WAS CLOSE...
?!
FWOOOO
WHOOM
?!!

WHOOM

I'M GONNA DESTROY THEM!!

EACH AND EVERY ...

...DAMN ONE OF THEM!!

TA-THUMP!

...LAST ONE!!

EVERY...

TA-THUMP!

SASHA!!

DAMMIT... THE TITANS REALLY ARE GONNA...

AGAIN... THE TITANS ARE GONNA COME IN AGAIN...

BOOOM

IT BROKE THROUGH THE WALL...

PRE-PARE FOR COMBAT !!

?!

FIXED ARTILL-ERY SQUAD 4!

TAKE CARE OF SAMUEL !!

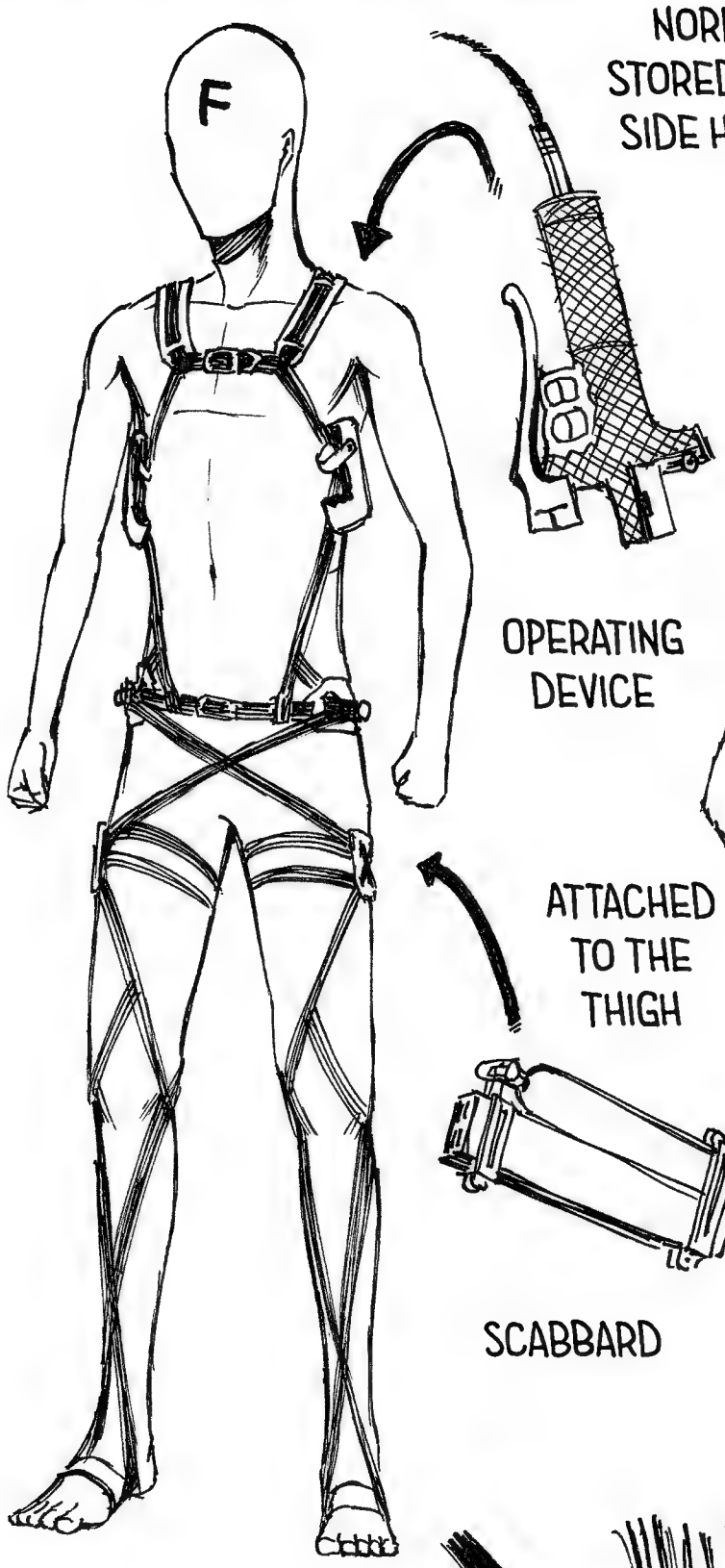
THE TARGET IS HERE!!
THE COLOSSUS TITAN!!
...
DON'T LET THIS CHANCE GET AWAY!!
DASH
DASH
ONLY THE COLOSSUS TITAN CAN DESTROY THE WALL!!
DASH
DASH DASH DASH
IF WE CAN JUST KILL HIM ....!!
SWISH
...
...HELLO THERE.

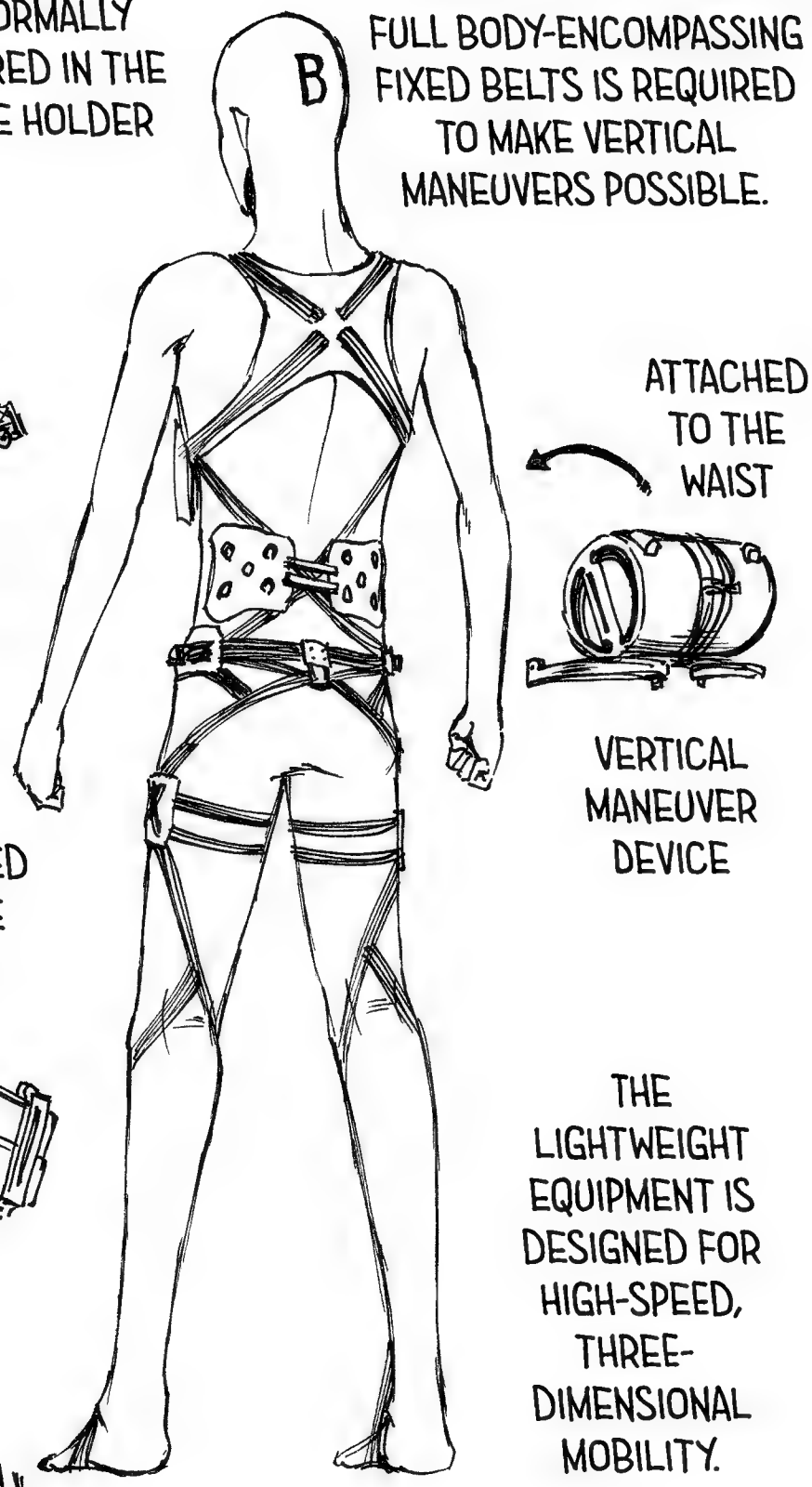
IT'S BEEN FIVE YEARS, HUH...?

Current Publicly Available Information

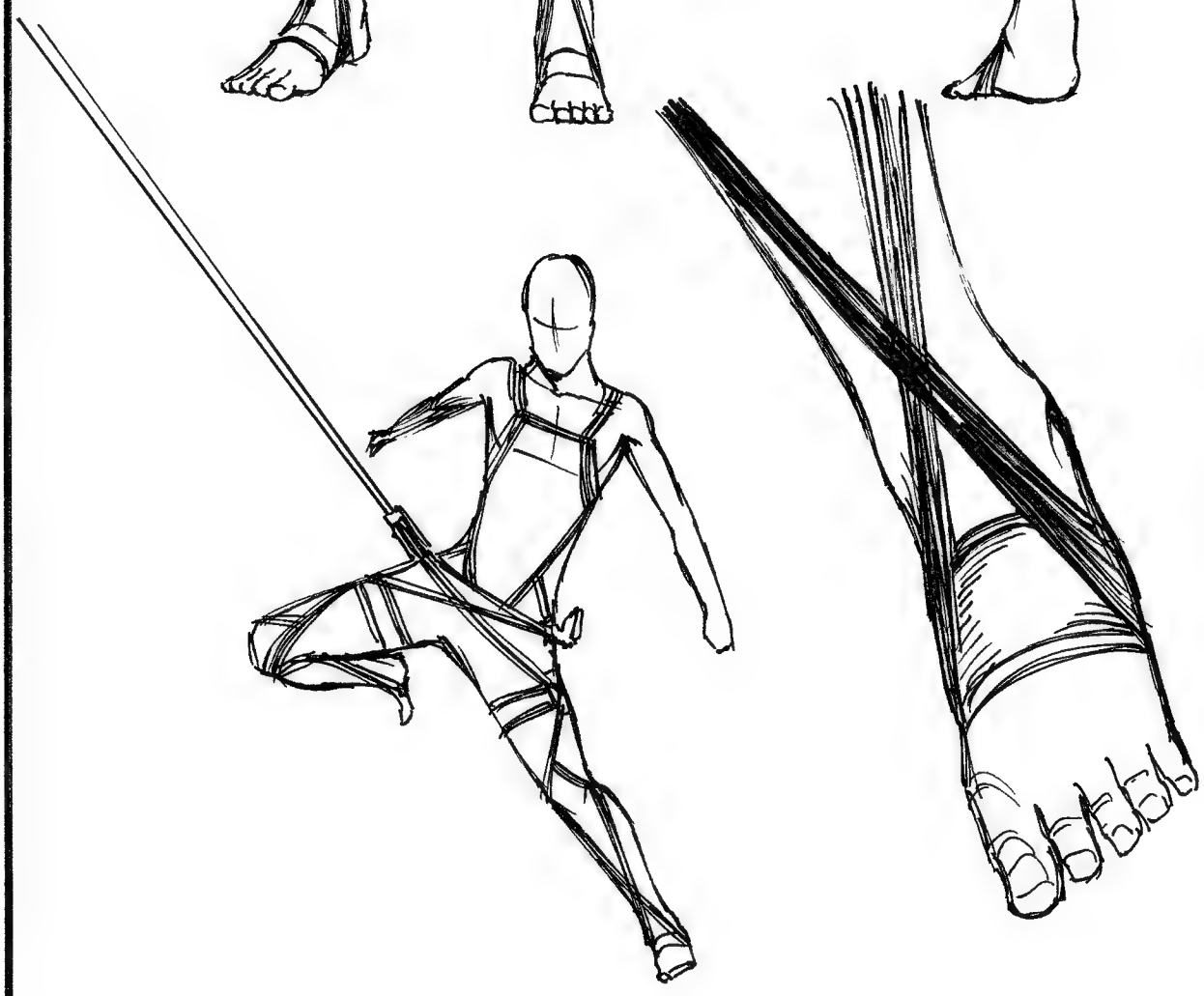
Weight-Shifting Equipment for Vertical Maneuvers

COMPLEX WEIGHT-SHIFTING TECHNOLOGY THAT EMPLOYS FULL BODY-ENCOMPASSING FIXED BELTS IS REQUIRED TO MAKE VERTICAL MANEUVERS POSSIBLE.





THE LIGHTWEIGHT EQUIPMENT IS DESIGNED FOR HIGH-SPEED, THREE-DIMENSIONAL MOBILITY.



THE PERSON SHIFTS THEIR ENTIRE WEIGHT TO EITHER SIDE OF THEIR HIPS. THE MAJORITY OF THAT WEIGHT IS APPLIED TO THE BOTTOM OF THEIR OPPOSING FOOT. THOUGH THE MANEUVERS GIVE THE APPEARANCE OF EFFORTLESS FLIGHT THROUGH THE AIR, IT'S A SYSTEM THAT ONLY WORKS THROUGH STRENUOUS USE OF MUSCLES THROUGHOUT THE USER'S BODY.

Episode 4: First Battle

Current Publicly Available Information

A Basic Overview of the Vertical Maneuvering Devices

THE OPERATING DEVICE IS RUN BY A BLACK BOX (TECHNICAL SPECS, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THESE SPECS ARE SECRET).

(THE VERTICAL MANEUVERING DEVICE)

MAIN TAP CONNECTED TO THE CYLINDER

STEEL WIRE IS STORED IN THE OPERATIVE SECTION

CONNECTED TO THE BELT

TWO AXES SPIN INDEPENDENTLY

STEEL WIRE TO PIERCE TITANS, ETC.

CONNECTED TO THE OPERATING DEVICE

GAS IS BLOWN DIRECTLY AT THE FAN TO MAKE IT SPIN.

THE PART THAT BLOWS GAS TOWARDS THE FAN AND THE EMISSION SYSTEM ARE BLACK BOXES (TECHNICAL SPECS, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THESE SPECS ARE SECRET).

EXHAUST

THE EMISSION SYSTEM IS SHAPED LIKE A SHUTTLECOCK SO IT DOESN'T INTERFERE WITH THE GAS COMING IN THROUGH THE INTAKE PORT.

(PARTS OF THE FAN)

GAS PRESSURE IS ADJUSTED TO MANAGE THE OUTPUT.

THE GAS IS COMPRESSED INTO THE CYLINDER, THEN INJECTED INTO THE TUBE.

THANKS TO MY SCIENTIST FRIEND WHO HELPED ME COME UP WITH THIS!

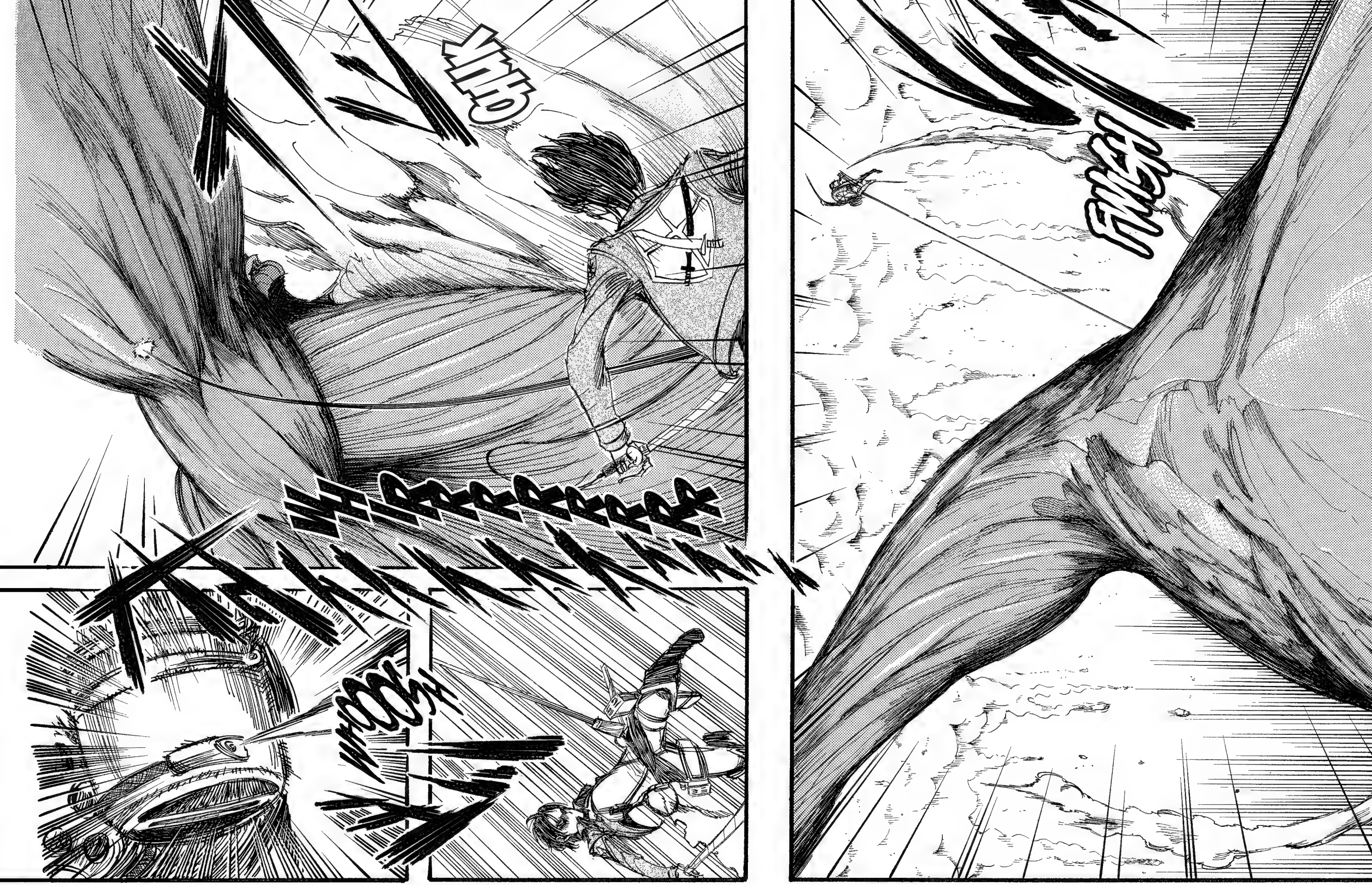
DUNN DUNN DUNN DUNN DUNN

DUNN DUNN DUNN DUNN

WHOOM

FWOOO

FWISSH



FWOOOO
FWUSSHHH
CHUK
WHZZZ WHZZZ WHZZZ
DASH

BASTARD...

AND THAT'S NOT ALL!

IT WAS NO COINCIDENCE THAT HE WENT FOR THE GATE EITHER!!

HE AIMED FOR THE FIXED ARTILLERY...!!

...INTELLIGENT.

THEN HE IS...

THUD

NHH!!

THUMP

BUT THIS IS MY CHANCE!!

FWUSH

THIS IS THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN BREAK THROUGH THE WALLS!

FWOOSH

IF I CAN JUST KILL IT...!!

CHK

HE'S SLOW!!

FWSSHH

FWOOOO

I CAN DO THIS !!

HE'S DEAD!!

SSSSSS

FOO
WHA...?!
FWOOSH
IT'S HOT?!
WHOOO
GOOOO!

...

FW

OOP

CHFFFF

NO...

FWWSSHH

NO EFFECT ...!!

DID I MISS... ?!

NOT THAT.

FWOOOO

HE VANISHED...

...

THE COLOSSUS TITAN DISAPPEARED !!

EREN! DID YOU KILL IT?!

!

NO... IT'S JUST LIKE FIVE YEARS AGO...

HE SUDDENLY APPEARED AND SUDDENLY VANISHED...!!

...I'M SORRY. I LET HIM GET AWAY...

HEY... IS THIS ANY TIME TO CHAT?!

WHAT ARE YOU APOLOGIZING FOR? WE COULDN'T EVEN MOVE...

!!

WHAT ARE YOU TRAINEES DOING?!

PART OF THE WALL'S ALREADY DESTROYED !

IF IT ISN'T PLUGGED UP FAST, WE'LL GET ANOTHER TITAN INCURSION !!

GOOD LUCK TO THE ADVANCE TEAM!

YES, SIR!

FWAP

AND IF ANY OF YOU MADE CONTACT WITH IT, MAKE A REPORT TO HQ!

REPORT TO YOUR POSTS ON THE DOUBLE!

FWOOOO

THE STRATEGY FOR DEALING WITH A COLOSSUS TITAN APPEARANCE IS ALREADY IN MOTION!

SWISH

SWISH

CLANG

CLANG

CLANG

!

SHOOOOOOO

THUD

CLANG CLANG

CLANG CLANG CLANG CLANG CLANG CLANG

CLANG CLANG

CLANG CLANG

PLEASE EVACUATE CALMLY!

LEAVE ALL MATERIAL POSSESSIONS BEHIND!

THEREFORE, WE IN THE GARRISON ARE CURRENTLY ALONE IN REPAIRING THE WALL AND PREPARING FOR AN INCURSION.

REGRETTABLY, THE SURVEY CORPS, WHICH HAS THE MOST ACTUAL COMBAT EXPERIENCE, IS OUTSIDE THE WALL ON AN EXPLORATORY EXPEDITION.

THIS IS YOUR FIRST OPERATION, BUT WE EXPECT YOU TO CONTRI-BUTE!

PATTER PATTER

YOU TRAINEES PASSED THE GRADUATION DRILLS! YOU'RE FIRST-CLASS SOLDIERS NOW!

...

!

...

FRANZ...

DON'T WORRY, HANNAH... I SWEAR I'LL PROTECT YOU.

I-I'M FINE! I'M SURE THINGS WILL SETTLE DOWN SOON!

KA-CHA

KA-CHA

...

KA-CHA

ARMIN, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

EREN!

THEY PUT THAT ROCK THERE TO PLUG A HOLE, BUT WE CAN'T EVEN MOVE IT!

S-STILL... THIS ISN'T GOOD! WE'VE STILL GOT AN EIGHT-METER HIGH HOLE IN THE WALL AND NO WAY TO FIX IT QUICKLY!

KA-CHA

...IF THE TITANS FELT LIKE IT...

...THEY COULD EXTER-MINATE THE HUMAN RACE AT ANY TIME!!

AND THE MOMENT WE REALIZE WE CAN'T FILL IN THE HOLE, THIS TOWN WILL BE ABANDONED... AFTER THAT, IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THEY GET THROUGH WALL ROSE... TO BEGIN WITH...

S-SORRY. I'M FINE...

...

ARMIN!

AH!!

CALM DOWN!!

TAP

YOUR DUTIES ARE SUPPORT, COMMUNICATIONS, TITAN-KILLING AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT'S NEEDED.

JUST LIKE IN YOUR TRAINING, EACH SQUAD WILL TAKE A DIFFERENT STREET. YOU'RE UNDER GARRISON COMMAND.

YOU TRAINEES ARE MIDDLE GUARD...

AND THE GARRISON'S ELITE UNIT WILL BE REARGUARD.

VANGUARD

MIDDLE GUARD

REARGUARD

THE GARRISON WILL TAKE VANGUARD...

...UNTIL EVERY LAST MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD HAS SAFELY EVACUATED.

TIME FOR US FREELOADERS TO PAY OUR TAB. WE'VE GOTTA DEFEND WALL ROSE TO THE DEATH...

BE PREPARED TO SACRIFICE YOUR LIVES, PEOPLE.

OH, AND AS YOU'RE AWARE, DESERTING IN THE FACE OF THE ENEMY IS CONSIDERED A CAPITAL OFFENSE.

YES, SIR !!

FWAP

DIS-MISSED !!

I'M SUPPOSED TO GO TO THE IN-TERIOR TOMOR-ROW!!

WHY DID IT HAVE TO BE TODAY... ?!

SLUMP

URRGGH!!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?!

BLEGH BLEGH

...

URK...

ULP...

?!

THINGS DON'T GO BY THE BOOK IN CHAOTIC CIRCUM-STANCES.

...WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! WE'RE ON DIFFERENT SQUADS!

WHISPER

HUH?!

IF THE BATTLE GETS HAIRY, FIND ME.

TRAINEE MIKASA!!

WHAT IS THIS "PRO-TEC-TION" STUFF ABOUT ...?!

...

I'LL PROTECT YOU!

...

BUZZ

GET ON OVER THERE!!

YOU'VE BEEN SPECIALLY ASSIGNED TO REAR-GUARD!

B-BUT ...!

HEY!

GRAB

THE EVAC'S GOING SLOWLY RIGHT NOW, SO WE NEED THE BEST OF THE BEST GUARDING THE PUBLIC!

?!

I'M NOT ASKING YOU YOUR OPINION!

...WITH MY SKILL, I'D ONLY BE IN THE WAY!

HUMANITY IS ON THE BRINK OF EXTINCTION AND YOU'RE TRYING TO DICTATE YOUR OWN RULES?!

NOK

THAT'S ENOUGH, MIKASA!

?!

I WASN'T THINKING WITH A CLEAR HEAD...

SORRY...

BUT... I DO HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK... JUST ONE... PLEASE...

...

DON'T DIE...
I WON'T DIE...
I CAN'T DIE HERE.
FWOOOO
I STILL DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE WORLD OUTSIDE OUR WALL...
EVEN IN OUR REMAINING HISTORY BOOKS, NOTHING IS WRITTEN ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF THE TITANS. WE KNOW NEXT TO NOTHING ABOUT THEM.

WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM WHETHER THE TITANS POSSESS HUMANLIKE INTELLI-GENCE.

THEREFORE, THERE IS NO PRECEDENT FOR MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OUR RACES.

WHAT WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT THE TITANS, SUCH AS THEIR MODE OF LIFE, WE OWE TO THE LATEST REPORTS BY THE SURVEY CORPS.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE TITAN BODY IS FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT FROM OTHER LIVING BEINGS... THEY HAVE NO SEXUAL ORGANS AND THE METHOD BY WHICH THEY REPRODUCE IS UNKNOWN. MOST OF THEM TEND TO HAVE A MALE PHYSIQUE.

THEIR BODIES HAVE EXTREMELY HIGH TEMPERATURES AND, STRANGELY, THEY SHOW ABSOLUTELY NO INTEREST IN LIFE FORMS OTHER THAN HUMANS.

THE TITANS' SOLE BEHAVIORAL PRINCIPLE IS EATING HUMAN BEINGS...

...BUT WHEN WE CONSIDER THAT THEY EXISTED IN AN ENVIRONMENT DEVOID OF PEOPLE FOR OVER 100 YEARS... WE MAY MAKE THE CONJECTURE THAT TITANS DON'T ACTUALLY **NEED** TO EAT.

...BUT RATHER PURELY KILLING.

OR IN OTHER WORDS, THEIR PURPOSE ISN'T PREDATORY...

...IS THE TITANS' ASTOUNDING ABILITY TO SURVIVE.

...THE MAIN REASON THE HUMAN RACE HAS BEEN DRIVEN INTO A CORNER...

ALSO...

THERE ARE INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES, BUT IN MOST CASES, HEADS THAT ARE BLOWN OFF REGENERATE IN ONE TO TWO MINUTES.

HOWEVER, THAT ALONE WASN'T ENOUGH TO COPE WITH THEM.

SINCE LONG AGO, HUMANITY HAS POSSESSED ENOUGH POWER TO BLOW THE TITANS' HEADS OFF.

...ARE THE TITANS INVULNERABLE?!

GULP

TEACHER! SO THEN...

BUZZ

...I DON'T BELIEVE IT...

LIKE IT'S NOT BAD ENOUGH THAT THEY'RE HUGE...

TAK TAK

NO, THEY'RE NOT INVULNERABLE...

TAK

THERE'S ONE WAY TO FELL A TITAN.

AIM FOR RIGHT HERE!!

IF A TITAN SUSTAINS MAJOR DAMAGE HERE, IT DOESN'T REGENERATE, BUT DIES.

THIS AREA BELOW THE OCCIPITAL REGION, AT THE NAPE OF THE NECK.

CLATTER

AT PRESENT, THE MOST EFFICACIOUS MEANS OF REPELLING THE ENEMY IS THROUGH COMBAT SKILLS THAT MAKE THE BEST USE OF MOBILITY.

FOR THAT VERY PURPOSE, YOU MUST ALL MASTER THIS ***VERTICAL MANUEVERING EQUIPMENT.***

STEEL WIRE DISCHARGED FROM INSIDE A CYLINDER IS REELED IN THROUGH PRESSURIZED GAS.

THE FIRING MECHANISM AT BOTH SIDES OF THE WAIST LAUNCHES AN ANCHOR.

EACH HAND USES THE GRIP OF THIS DEVICE TO OPERATE THE SYSTEM.

IN ORDER TO CUT THROUGH A CHUNK OF TOUGH MEAT, THE BLADE IS MADE TO BE FLEXIBLE.

THIS RE-PLACEABLE BLADE IS YOUR WEAPON.

IF THE ATTACK HITS THE TITAN'S VITAL SPOT, IT DIES INSTANTLY, BEFORE ITS REGENERATIVE SYSTEM CAN KICK IN.

YOU USE THESE TWO BLADES TO SLICE THROUGH THE AREA.

...WE CAN BE USEFUL.

FINALLY...

FINALLY...

FWOOOO
...
ARMIN...
THIS IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY, DON'T YOU THINK?
I MEAN, BEFORE APPLYING FOR THE SURVEY CORPS...
IF WE PROVE OURSELVES IN THIS FIRST BATTLE, THEY'LL MAKE US FRESH RECRUITS...
...AND WATCH HOW FAST WE GET PROMOTED UP THE LADDER!!
...
YEAH... NO DOUBT.
SORRY TO BURST YOUR BUBBLE...
...BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM OUR CLASS ARE APPLYING FOR THE SURVEY CORPS!!

YOU'RE ON, THOMAS!

AS LONG AS YOU DON'T FUDGE YOUR NUMBERS!!

AND TO MAKE IT INTERESTING, LET'S SEE WHO CAN SLAY MORE TITANS!!

YOU LEFT ME IN THE DUST BEFORE, EREN, BUT THIS TIME, I'M KEEPING UP!!

YEAHHH!

LET'S GO!!

SQUAD 34, AD-VANCE !!

SWISH

FWOOOO

THAT'S ...?!

WHA... ?!

ROGAARR

WHOOOSH

WHAT'S GOING ON?! USUALLY, OUR PEERS IN THE VANGUARD HOG ALL THE ACTION...

ALL THOSE TITANS AL- READY...

THEY'RE EVEN ROPING THE MIDDLE GUARD INTO THE VANGUARD?!

HAS THE ADVANCE GUARD COLLAPSED?

EVEN THOUGH NOT MUCH TIME HAS PASSED...

ROOOAAR

IT'S AN ABNORMAL !

?!?

WHOOSH

IT'S NOT LIKE I WAS OPTIMISTIC...

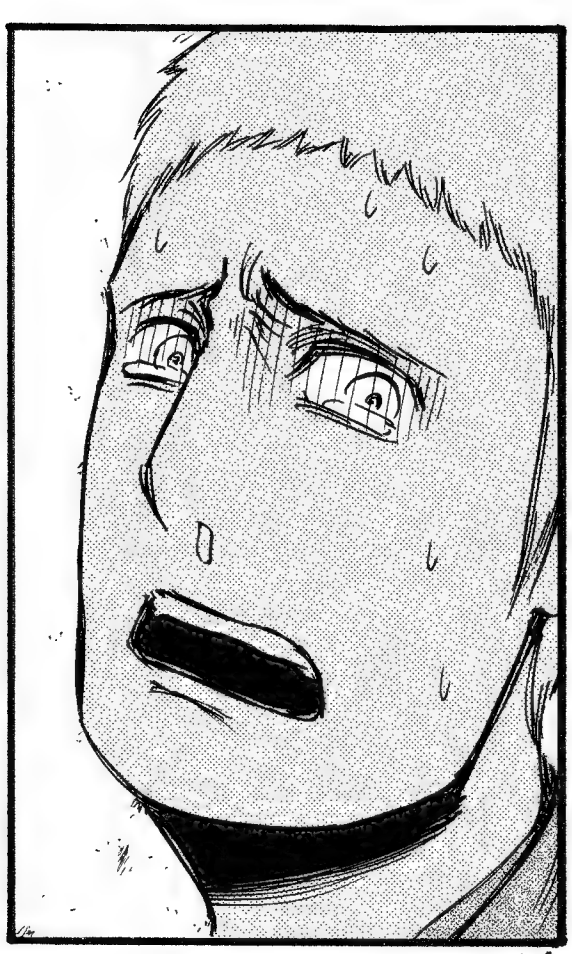
...BUT THIS...

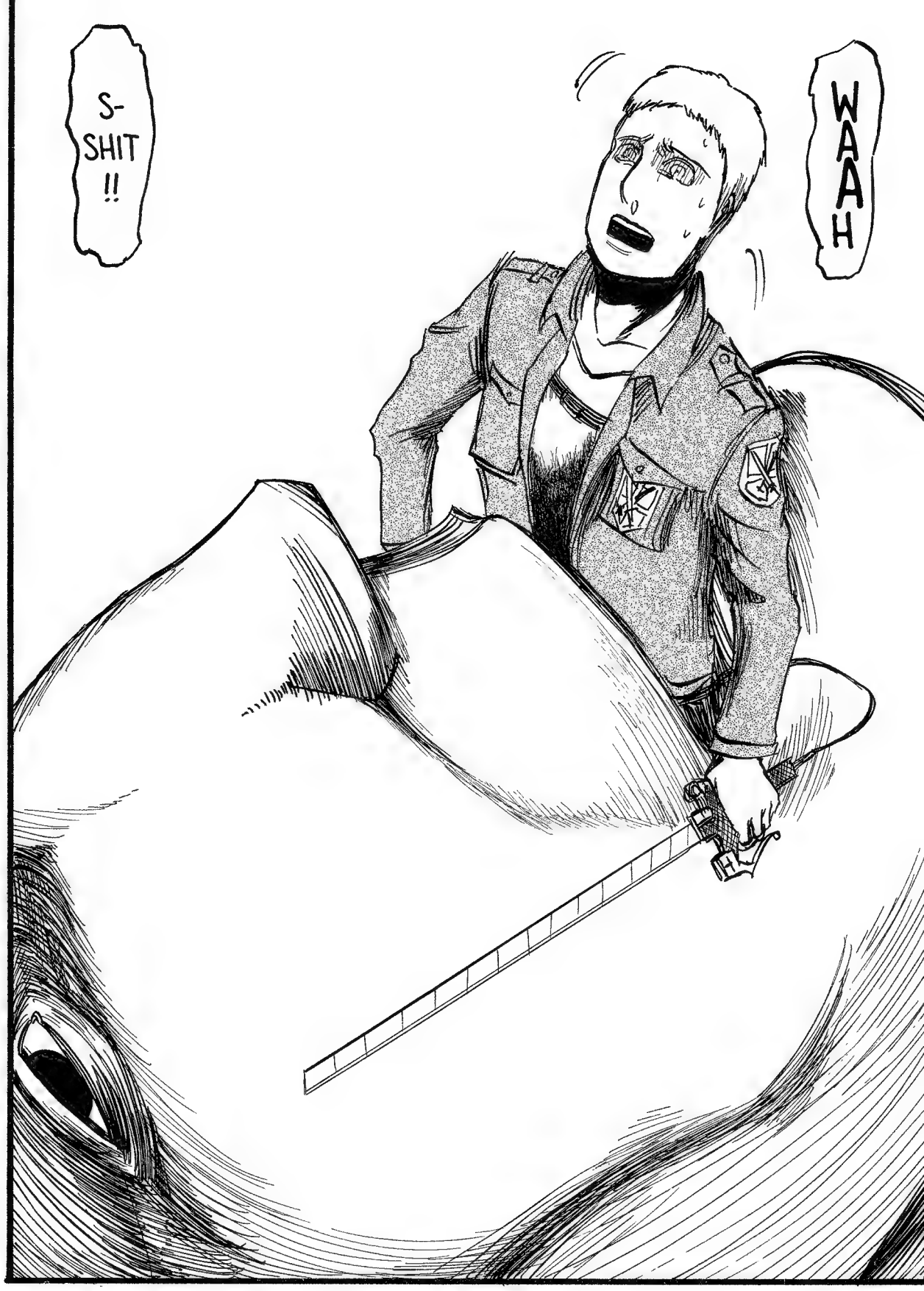
CRUNCH

DODGE!!

FWOOO

!!
UHN ...?!
UH... !!




S-
SHIT
!!
WAAH

GULP

T-THOMAS!!
FWISH

SNAP SNAP
SWISH
SWISH
WAIT !!
CHUK
WA... !!
EREN!!
NO! DON'T GO OFF ON YOUR OWN!
HUH ?!
THERE'S ANOTHER ONE BELOW!
FWOOOO

GOOO

NO... EREN...
HIS LEG ...
H- HEY...
THIS IS NO TIME TO CATCH YOUR BREATH!! TOO DANGER-OUS!

FOOO
ONE'S COMING!
TNP
TNP
FWOOOO
KILL IT!!
STAB
STAB
STAB

WHUD

SLIDE

WHY...

KRAK

SNAP

KRAK KRAK KRAK KRAK

SNAP

WHY...
...DO I...
きゃあああああああ
...HAVE TO WATCH...
... MY COM-RADES BEING EATEN?

WHY...

WHUMP

WHUMP

...MY BODY MOVE?

...WON'T...

FOO

SLASH

WAAAAGH!

うあぁぁあぁぁぁぁ
UWAAAAAAAAAAAA
HUFF
A-ARMIN...
HUFF
TH-THUMP
TH-THUMP
SLUMP
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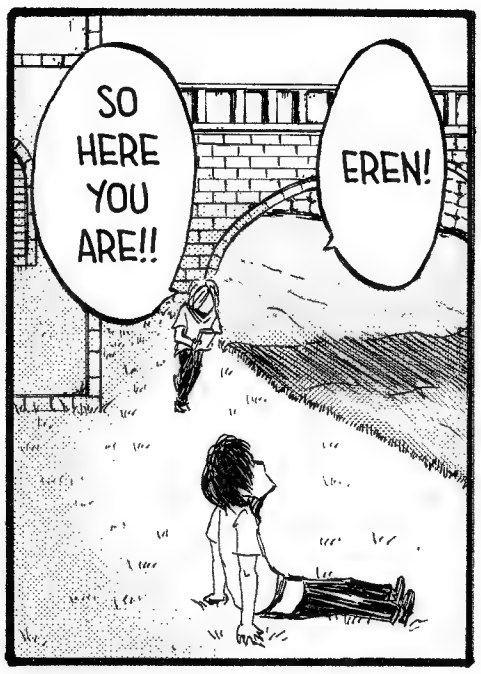
IT'S A BOOK ABOUT THE OUTSIDE WORLD!

THIS... MY GRANDPA HAD IT HIDDEN AWAY!



ACCORDING TO THE BOOK, **THE MAJORITY OF THIS WORLD IS COVERED BY WATER CALLED THE "SEA"!!**

THIS IS MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT!!

A BOOK ABOUT THE OUTSIDE WORLD?! THAT'S ILLEGAL! YOU'RE GONNA GET CAUGHT BY THE MP BRIGADE!

NO, THAT'S THE THING! THE "SEA" IS SO HUGE, IT CAN'T BE DEPLETED!

L-LIAR!! I MEAN, SALT?! THAT WOULD BE A TREASURE TROVE! MERCHANTS WOULD'VE ALREADY EXHAUSTED THE SUPPLY!!

...!! SALT ?!

AND IT SAYS THE "SEA" IS ALL SALT WATER!!

THAT'S JUST SILLY...

...

...!!

THE OUTSIDE WORLD MUST BE TEN TIMES BIGGER THAN INSIDE THE WALL!

AND FIELDS OF SAND!

AND ICE GROUND!

THERE'S FIRE WATER!

AND IT'S NOT JUST A HEAP OF SALT!!

...GET TO EXPLORE THE OUTSIDE WORLD!

SOME-DAY... I HOPE WE...

EREN!

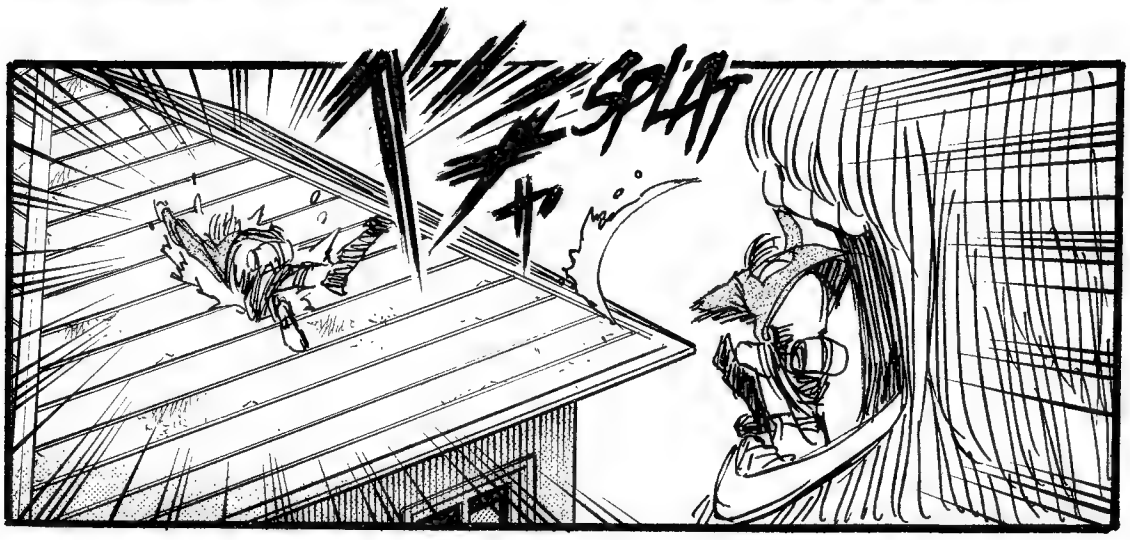
THE OUTSIDE WORLD...

AH...

SLIP

WAAAAA!

SLIP


SPLAT

FUOOO

EREN!!
SWISH

HEY... ARMIN...

YOU...

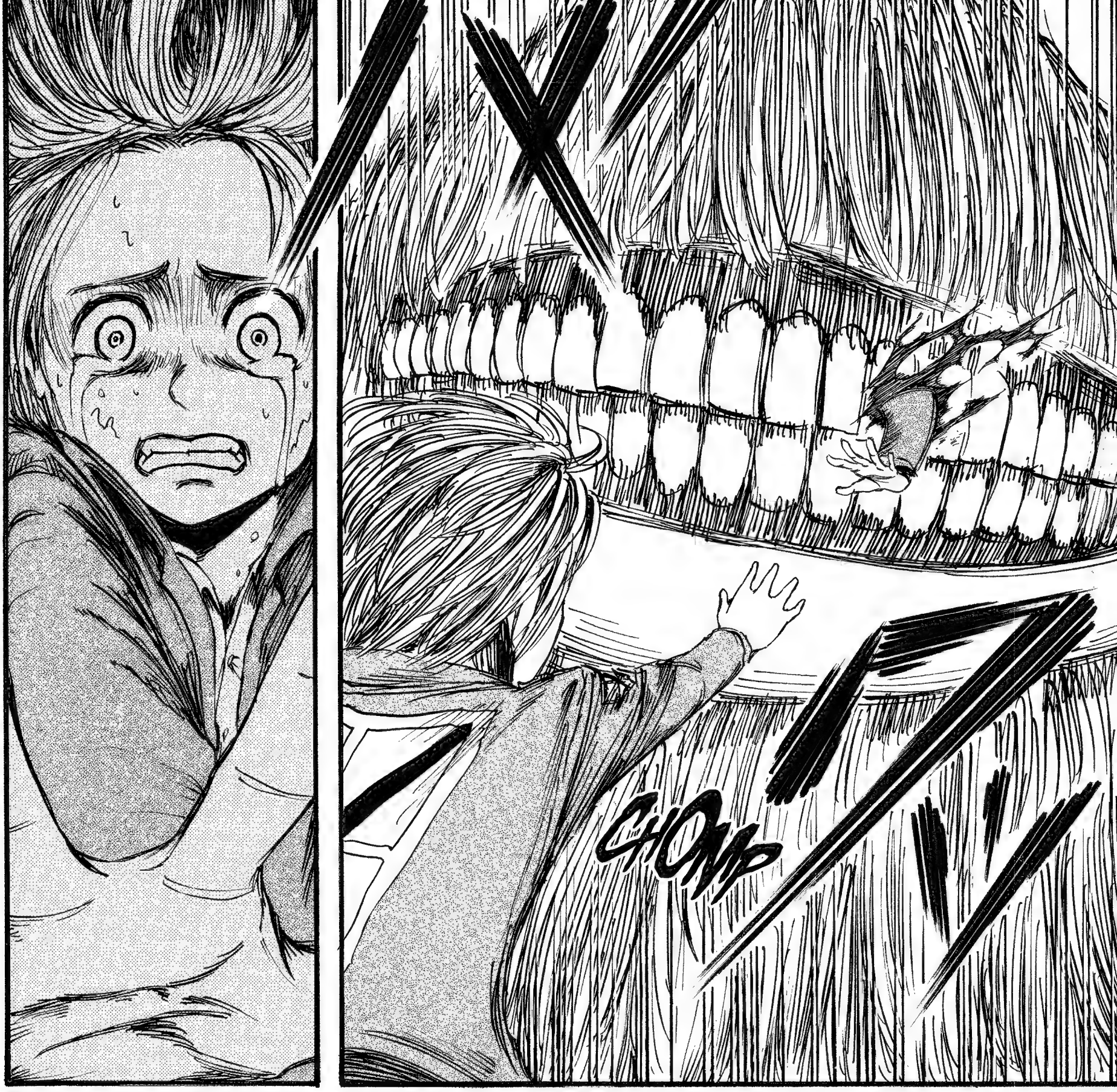
THINK I'M... GONNA DIE HERE...?

YOU TOLD ME ABOUT IT...

SO I'M... GOING TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD...

EREN!!

QUICKLY!!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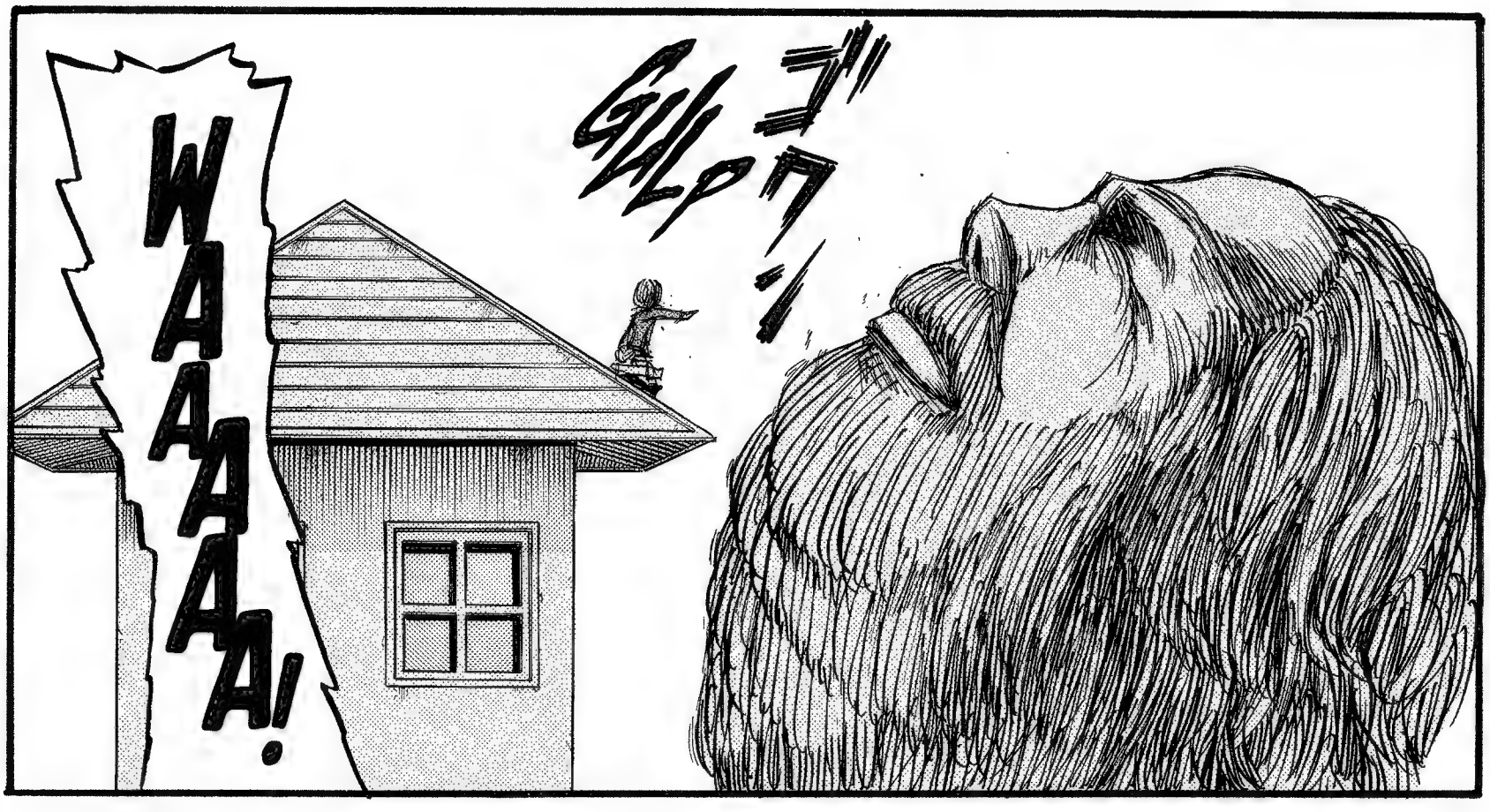
GULP
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WAAAAA!

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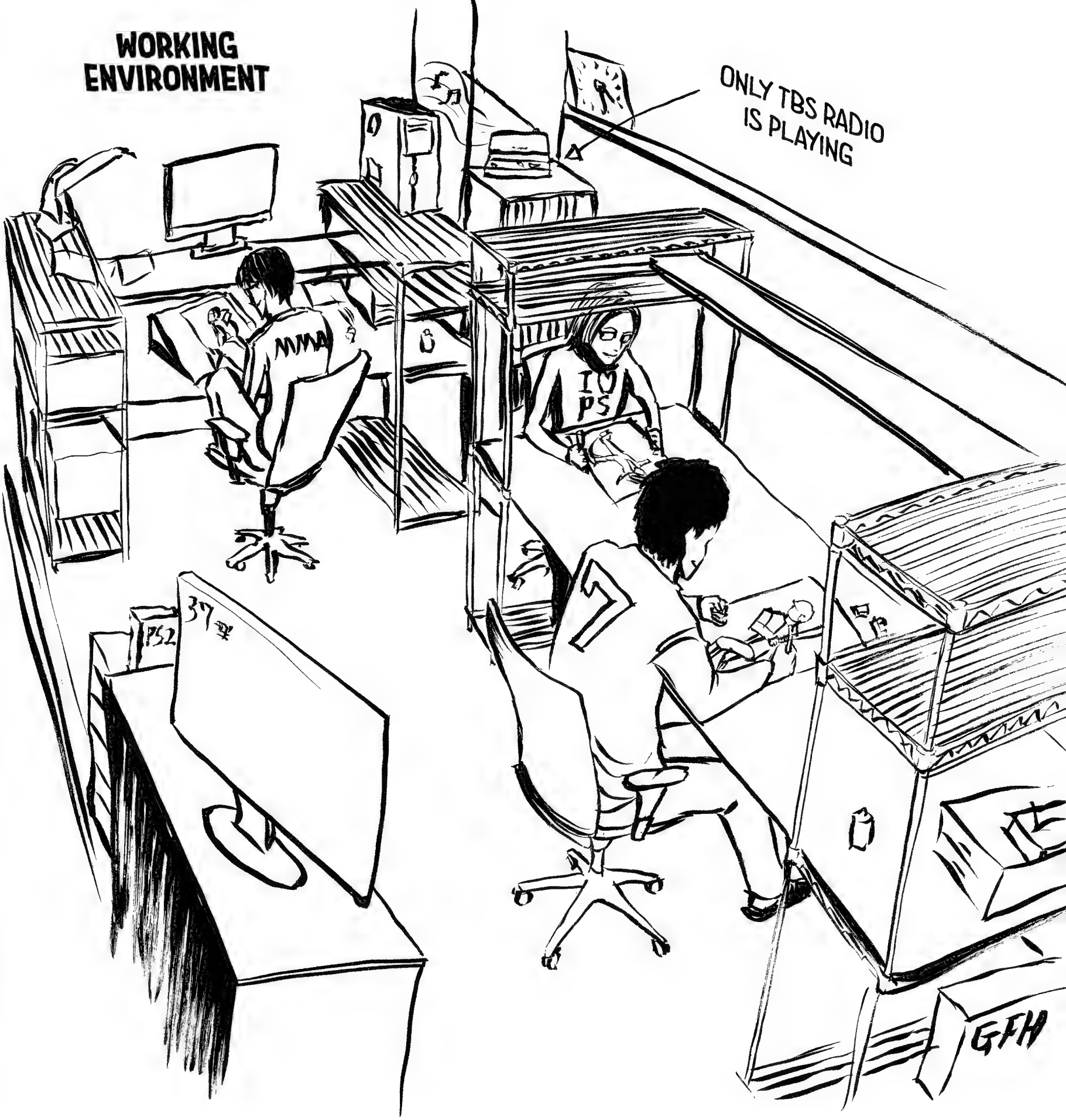


SHINX-SAN
OUMI-SAN
SOMETIMES TAKANIWA-SAN

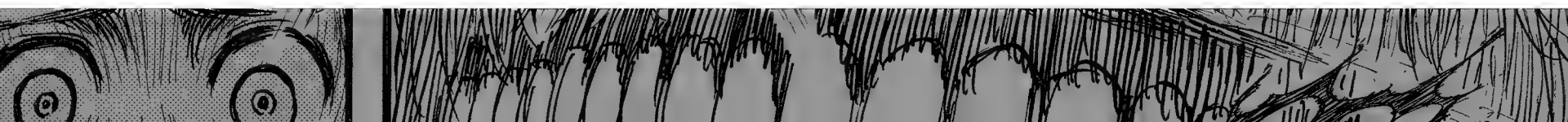
EVERYONE WHO READ
"ATTACK ON TITAN"

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

ULTRA-SPECIAL BONUS!!*

We asked you, the readers, to send in questions you want to ask Mr. Isayama, and many of you obliged. We pitched them one by one to Mr. Isayama and he came back with answers we never would've expected. This interview of a sort demands to be read and we're using several pages to bring it to you. We weren't able to print every single question and answer, but please enjoy the **Q and A with as much space as we were able to provide!!**

EDITOR: Thank you for being here today. We've received a lot of questions from the readers. Please answer to the best of your ability.
MR. ISAYAMA (hence referred to as ISA): I have a feeling most of my answers will be boring, but... fire away. Nothing is taboo.
EDITOR: Then let's begin.
"Why did you decide on giants as the theme of this work?"
ISA: Well, giants are kind of gross, aren't they? That's why.
"Has anything in your life changed since the series has become so popular?"
ISA: I got a weird phone call from my bank. They were wondering about the sudden increase of funds in my savings, so they probably thought I was running some bank transfer scam. (LOL)
"Do you have a way to clear out the cobwebs when you're tired or when you need to decide some important story point?"
ISA: Shadowboxing with the hanging lamp cord in my house is very soothing.
"What made you decide to become a manga artist?"
ISA: I just decided one day, is all. I had a habit of doodling and daydreaming anyway, so I was fortunate that my interests were compatible with something that's profitable.
"Mr. Isayama, what is your fetish?"
ISA: I have a body hair fetish.
"How do you get over those times when making manga gets tough?"
ISA: I don't. (LOL) I think it's always equal parts tough and fun.
"Where do you get your ideas for stories?"



A signed sketch by an artist Mr. Isayama respects, Mr. Nihei. It's a treasured possession that hangs on his wall.

ISA: This doesn't have to do with creating stories, but when I'm half-awake, like just before I drift off to sleep, my mind gets flooded with information I've seen or heard subconsciously. I call it "Super Enlightenment Time." And this is true, I'm not kidding.
"If a character from another manga series in Betsu Maga became a Titan, what would it look like?"
ISA: Maybe something like this.
EDITOR: I'm surprised! You actually drew a sketch here!
ISA: Yes. I said that nothing was taboo, so... (LOL) I'm worried that I'll get blasted for overdoing it in the sketch...
EDITOR: Well, if you do ruffle some feathers with this, I'll go over and apologize with you. But on to the next question... "Is there a manga artist whom you respect?"
ISA: There are plenty of them. Of course, there are my fellow manga artists in Betsu Maga, but also Tsutomu Nihei, Ryouji Minagawa, Kentarou Miura, Hideki Arai, Tooru Mitsumine, and I could go on and on. I'm still a fledgling.
"Who is your favorite character in Attack on Titan?"
ISA: That would be Jean. Jean comes right out and says what he's thinking, even if it's something you normally wouldn't be able to say. That's what I like about him.

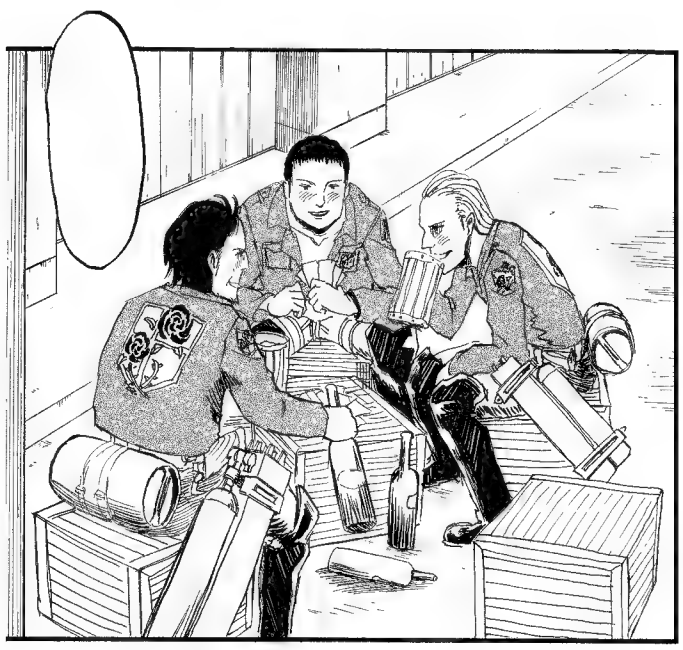
Jean Kirstein. I like the name, too.

"Out of all the manga you've read, which has had the most influence on you?"
ISA: ARMS.
"How far ahead do you have Attack on Titan plotted out?"
In terms of broad strokes, I've got it pretty well thought out to way, way down the line. And I've got outlines that say like, such-and-such a truth will be revealed in volume 5 and around volume 10, this situation is going to happen. See, if I didn't decide these things before it sees publication, I wouldn't even be able to come up with ideas. Although I don't flesh it out until I'm actually working on it...
"What do you think of Miyajima (Masanori Miyajima)?"
ISA: He's got a permanent crease on his nose from his glasses.
"Aren't you going to have female Titans?"
ISA: I wonder if I should say this... They're rare.
"I always forget how the kanji for "Isa" in your last name goes. Is there a good way to remember how to write it?"
ISA: You can write it however. I'll answer either way.
"Mr. Isayama, I want to see where you work!"
ISA: That's the one thing I hope you'll cut me some slack on! I really don't want to show you, since it's a mess...
"If you were on a desert island and could only have three things, what would you choose besides me and a guitar?"
ISA: Other than you and a guitar, I guess I would bring a U.S. armed forces fleet.
"No special question."
ISA: Whaaat?!
"Mr. Isayama, what were you like as a child?"

We went ahead and took photos of Mr. Isayama's studio.

ISA: I don't really want to recall my childhood...
"Do you use a model for the Titans?"
ISA: For the Titan version of Eren, I use martial artist Yuushin Okami's body as a model. My ideal is the physique of a middleweight mixed martial artist. I only use the shape of the body as a model.
"I'm guessing that drawing Titans after a long time would do things to your mind. Do you have nightmares about them?"
ISA: I don't think giants are really scary in the first place, so no, never.
"What's the scariest thing in the world?"
ISA: A bunch of middle school girls looking at me and going, "Ewwww" while laughing.
"Please tell me your basic one-month schedule."
ISA: I take a week to storyboard and three weeks to draw.
"Mikasa is always wearing the scarf she got from Eren. Doesn't she get hot?"
ISA: She doesn't wear it when it's hot outside.
"Mr. Isayama, at what age did you start drawing?"
ISA: I have a memory of being praised for a drawing I did of a dragon when I was in kindergarten.
"Are you sometimes mistaken for the manga artist who does the series GIANT KILLING (about soccer)?"
ISA: Just recently, my own editor made that mistake.

Yūshin Okami, whom Mr. Isayama uses as a model.



These Garrison soldiers drink alcohol in the middle of the afternoon. Surely Mr. Isayama doesn't do *that* at work?!

"What manga do you recommend right now?"
ISA: All-rounder Meguru and Iron Wind!!
"Mr. Isayama, which character in Attack on Titan most resembles you?"
ISA: Hmm... Mr. Hannes and the Garrison soldiers in volume 1 who sit around drinking booze.
"Is there a story that you want to do after finishing Attack on Titans?"
ISA: There's a story I've had in my mind since high school. If I get lucky enough for it to be published someday, I hope everyone reads it!
"Do you have a favorite scene in Attack on Titan?"
ISA: The scene where the TV studio gets taken over and rock 'n' roll music is playing. Sorry...
"What's your favorite food?"
ISA: I'm not really into food.**
"How do you spend your free time?"
ISA: Drooling as I surf the net.
"What would you look like if you were a Titan, Mr. Isayama?"
ISA: I'm sure I'd look something like this. (LOL)
EDITOR: Thank you very much! One last question. "From what page does the story really get going?"
ISA: Just wait for the 420th page and up! Please keep reading!

Scary in a way...

* This interview originally appeared in Bessatsu Shonen Magazine December 2010 issue.
**Apparently, if he's not careful, he'll drop to 40 kilos [88 lbs] without realizing it...

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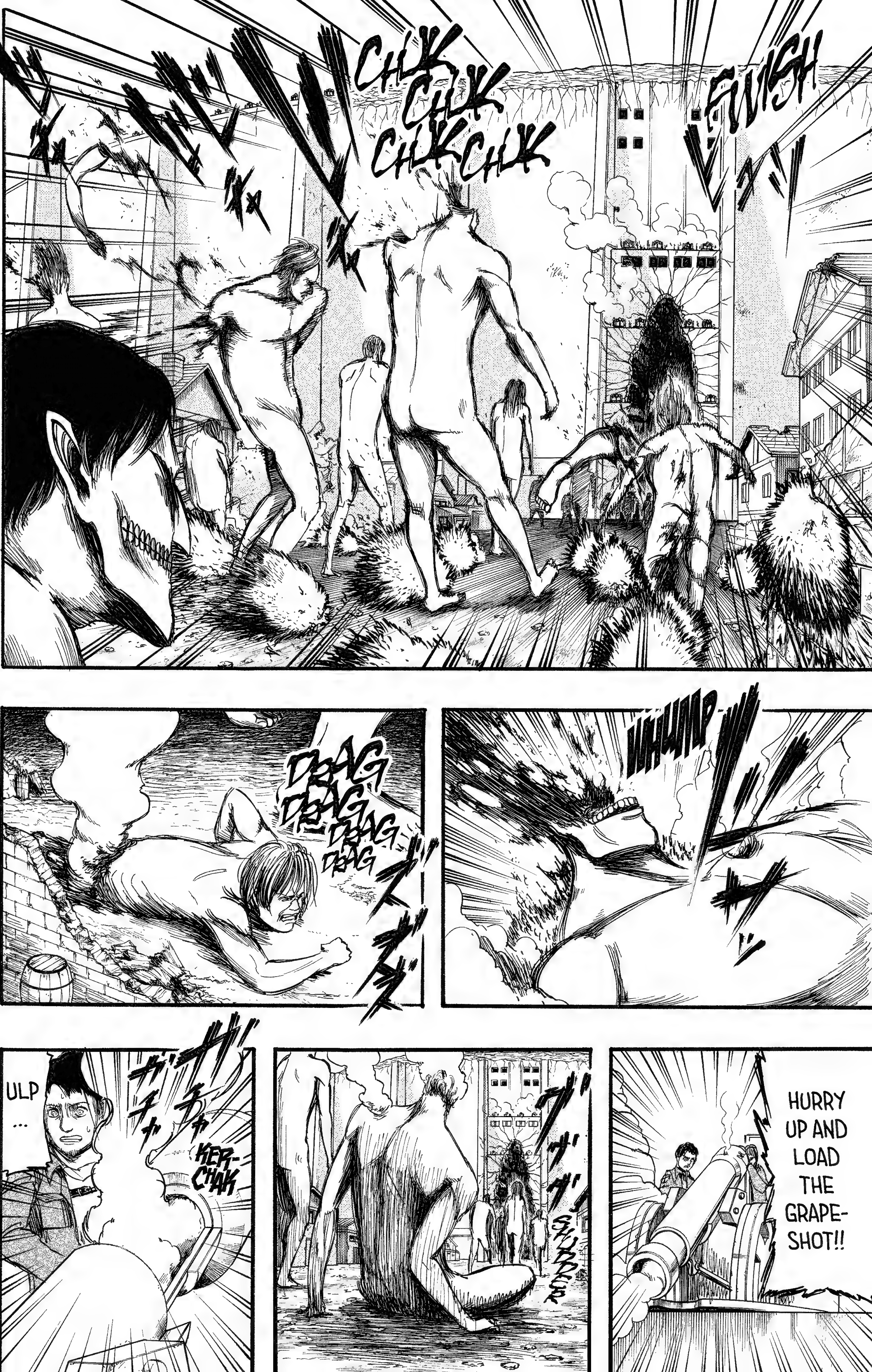

CHK CHK CHK CHK
FWISH
DRAG DRAG DRAG DRAG DRAG
WHUMP
ULP
...
KER-CHAK
SHUDDER
HURRY UP AND LOAD THE GRAPE-SHOT!!

YEAH!! I DON'T WANNA LET ANY MORE TITANS INTO THE TOWN! BUT THE CANNONS AREN'T REALLY...

YOUR WIFE AND DAUGHTER ARE INSIDE THE WALL, AREN'T THEY?!

SHUT UP, MORON! IF YOU HAVE TIME TO TALK, YOU HAVE TIME TO RAISE THE FIRE-POWER!!

THIS ISN'T EVEN DOING ENOUGH TO BUY US TIME!

FWOOOOO

GRACKLE

GRACKLE

FIRE !!

GOD-DAM-MIT!!

FWOOOOO

DAMMIT !!

WE'VE GOT NO CHOICE! THE ADVANCE TEAM THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO FINISH 'EM OFF GOT DECIMATED!

BOOM!!

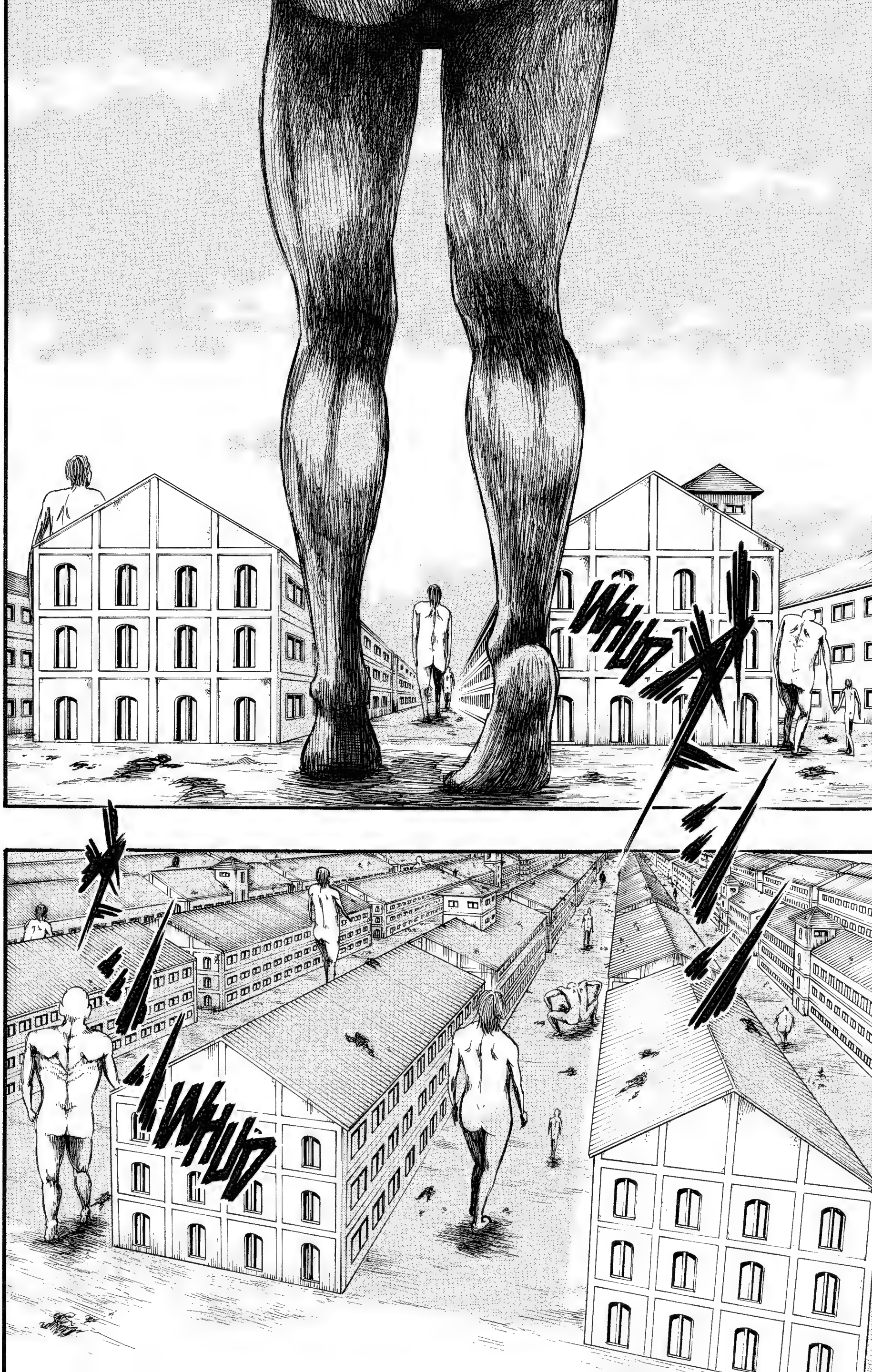
BOOM!!

BOOM!!

KRAK

KRAK

WHUD


WHUD
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!!
IN!!
ARMIN !!
?!
WAKE UP...!!
CONNIE ...
ARE YOU HURT? HEY! WHERE'S YOUR SQUAD?!

WHAT THE HELL HAPPEN-ED?!

AND YOU'VE GOT SLIME ALL OVER YOU...!

...AH...

...

FWOOOOOO

SQUAD ...?

COME ON, GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF! WHY ARE YOU ALONE?!

FLASH

FLASH

DIE !!

...USE LESS BAS-TARD !!

...

YOU ...

ARMIN ...!!

RUFFLE

WAAAAH!

LOOK AROUND! IT'S OBVIOUS, IDIOT! AND WE DON'T HAVE ANY MORE TIME TO PAMPER HIM!

BOOM

BOOM

SHUT UP! ARMIN DIDN'T SAY ANY-THING ABOUT THAT!!

OH, LEAVE IT, CONNIE! THEY'VE BEEN WIPED OUT EXCEPT FOR THIS GUY!

HEY... CALM DOWN! ARMIN! WHERE IS EVERY-ONE?

I'M SORRY HE ENCOUN-TERED MULTIPLE TITANS...

...BUT RESCUING THIS LOSER ISN'T WORTH THE SACRIFICES OF EREN AND THE REST.

THEY PROBABLY THOUGHT HE WAS ALREADY A CORPSE.

WHY IS ARMIN THE ONLY ONE WHO MADE IT?!

BOTH OF YOU, STOP IT!!

HOW ABOUT I MAKE IT SO YOU NEVER SAY A DAMN WORD EVER AGAIN!

...

HEY, YOU STUPID BITCH ...

AFTER THIS MISSION IS OVER, MARRY ME!

!

THAT'S MY KRISTA!

TRUE... SHE'S CLOWNING AROUND EVEN MORE THAN USUAL...

I MEAN, SUDDENLY A BUNCH OF OUR FRIENDS ARE DEAD... OF COURSE WE'RE UPSET!

EVERYONE IS FRAZZLED !!

CAN YOU STAND UP, ARMIN?

ANYWAY, WE CAN'T JUST LEAVE HIM HERE...

LET'S GO, CON-NIE.

...

WHACK

ARMIN!

WHACK WHACK

ORDERS ARE TO MOVE FOR-WARD...

I'LL MEET UP WITH THE REAR-GUARD!

FWISH

I'M SORRY I CAUSED PROB-LEMS!

THERE'S NO WAY I CAN HOLD OUT...

...IN THIS HELL.

WHOOOSH

WHOOOSH

THIS IS IT FOR ME...

I'VE JUST MISUNDERSTOOD UP UNTIL NOW.

NO... THAT'S WRONG... IT HASN'T *BECOME* HELL HERE.

...HAS ALWAYS BEEN HELL.

THIS WORLD...

THE WORLD'S SO EASY TO UNDERSTAND, IT'S ALMOST OBLIGING...

THE STRONG EAT THE WEAK.

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and *HIGHSCHOOL OF THE DEAD*

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